

Terre Haute's First Council Formed One Hundred Years Ago

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WHILE Terre Haute may have become a town by the filing of the plat and selling some lots in the fall of 1816, its political existence began a little later. We do not know under what circumstances or at what date it became a borough, but there was little need of any government, with the accompanying need for taxes, until after its selection as the seat of justice for Vigo county in early 1818.

That it had soon after that time a borough government, is proved by the advertisement for sale in 1819 of certain lots on which the taxes had not been paid for 1818. How much taxes were collected or for what purpose we do not know either, but such a form of government continued until the legislature approved, Feb. 17, 1838, a charter for the "Town of Terre Haute."

By this time there must have been a fairly large population although the entire county held but 12,000 according to the census of 1840.

The charter occupied many pages, was divided into 58 sections which set out in minute detail the powers granted and the duties laid on the officers of the infant town. The most voluminous of these sections was number 47, which set out the power of the common council to levy taxes and to pass ordinances of various sorts.

In 35 clauses the council was given power to "prevent and punish forestalling and regratting and to prevent and restrain every kind of fraudulent device and practice. Regulation or prohibition of gambling, caravans, circuses, artificial or natural curiosities, riots, disorderly houses and groceries, billiard tables, 'nine or ten pin alleys' and to destroy gaming apparatus.

Powers of Council.

The occupant, or owner, of any "grocery, cellar, tallow, chandler shop, soap factory, tannery, stable barn, privy, sewer or other unwholesome or nauseous place" might be compelled to clean up at the discretion of the council which might also locate slaughter houses, markets and powder magazines. The keeping of powder or other combustibles, the use of candles, or lights, in stables and barns, horse racing, or immoderate riding or driving on the streets were also subject to regulation, and to prevent congestion of the streets, alleys, wharfs, lanes, sidewalks and docks. The council was given power to regulate carriages, carts,



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Terre Haute's First Clerk.

drays, sleighs, sleds, wheelbarrows, boxes, firewood, lumber or other substances therein.

The council might also fix the time for bathing or swimming in the river near the town, restrain and punish street beggars, vagrants and prostitutes, the running at large of cattle, swine, horses, sheep, goats, geese, to impound the strays as well as dogs, to care for "putrid pork, beef, fish, hides or skins."

The rolling of hoops, playing ball or flying kites, "or any other amusements having a tendency to annoy persons or frighten teams or horses" might also be prohibited. The power was given to compel the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks, to prevent ringing bells, blowing of horns, bugles or trumpets and crying of goods, to regulate the running of boats and stages, the burial of the dead and preserve the sanctity of the public burial ground and to appoint watchmen.

Mortuary Records.

An early forerunner of what is now common practice, but for so many years ignored by the medical

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profession and others, was authority to require the keeping and returning to the council of bills of mortality and to enforce penalties against physicians, sextons and others for default. Nearly a half century was to pass before the custom was fully established.

The quality of bread might be fixed by the council and in case of violation of the standards so set, it might be seized and destroyed.

The town was to be divided into five wards and the officers were to consist of a mayor, ten councilmen, an assessor, a collector, a treasurer, a clerk and a marshal. The mayor would serve for three years, the councilmen one year, to be elected by the qualified voters, and the others to be appointed by the council and to hold office during good behavior while their pay was to be set by the council also.

A vacancy in the office of the mayor was to be filled by an election, but in the council, it was to be filled by a selection by the council itself.

Early City Limits.

Less than a year later, this charter was amended to provide for the election of the president of the council by the members and to make a slight change in the limits of the town. The limits at that time were Locust street on the north to First, then north to Fourth avenue and east to Third, south to Locust, east to Seventh and with the canal to Oak street, west to Seventh, south to Park and west to the river, where the line was the west bank. In the case of nuisances, the jurisdiction of the town extended a half mile beyond the limits.

At the first session of the council, the resignation of John Burton as councilman from the Fifth ward was recorded and Amory Kinney was elected to succeed him. Charles T. Noble was chosen clerk, Britton M. Harrison, marshal and assessor.

The members of the first council were Curtis Gilbert, Robert Wallace, Samuel B. Edmunds, Theron A. Madison, Thomas Houghton, John F. Cruft, Jacob D. Early, Ransom Miller and Russell Ross and the first meeting recorded is of May 10, 1838.

The majority of these men are buried in Woodlawn, the land on which they lie being purchased a

year later by the council as the city burying ground.

The new council was practically without funds, having only the balance left over from the old board of trustees and at an early session appointed a committee to see on what terms a loan of from one to twenty thousand dollars could be had.

City Market House.

Expenditures for a new market house to be erected in Market street just south of Ohio, the cost of a new fire engine bought of Merrick and Agnew of Philadelphia, for over \$500.00 with freight at an added cost of \$83.32 and \$269.00 for building an engine house helped to drain the treasury.

The grades for the streets and alleys were set and the expenses of marshal, board of health, surveyors and other employees had to be met out of the small revenue that came from liquor licenses and such other fees. Balancing the budget in those early days was a task for more experienced officials.

One of the first actions of the body was to enclose the burying ground on outlot three, with a suitable fence. This is the site of the present American Can Company buildings and was even at that early day in Terre Haute history so filled with the pioneer dead that a year later it was necessary to forbid further interment there and the council having purchased and laid out Woodlawn cemetery, to find another resting place for the dead of the rapidly growing town.

Transportation also was to bring about serious problems, steamboats being the main artery of travel and trade, a public wharf was needed, warehouses to be provided and with the licensing of retailers of merchandise, liquor sales, taverns, shows and circuses, it was hoped that revenue to meet expenses might be provided.

Amory Kinney, who had been elected to take the place vacated by John Burton's resignation, resigned shortly after and was succeeded by Thomas Desart, who had been defeated by Kinney. Mayor Tillotson also resigned at the same meeting.

A special election to be held at the courthouse was ordered for September and Marcus Hitchcock, Sr., became the second mayor of the Town of Terre Haute within four months.

At the September meeting Samuel Crawford, who had served for many years as borough treasurer and had been appointed town treasurer, was added to the committee to obtain a loan and to build the wharf.

His first report to the council showed total receipts of \$2,633.00 and a balance on hand of \$1,103.00 of which \$13.00 was "Bank of Michigan, Monroe, notes and unavailable."

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Council Faces Heavy Routine Of Business

Long-awaited action on Resolution 14 may come Wednesday night as the Terre Haute Common Council sits down for the first time since the Sept. 15 meeting in which Republican William Ennis was "seated" causing an uproar now taken to the court for settlement.

Republicans say they will be present at the meeting and will agree to conduct business without Ennis at the table. Earlier, spokesmen among the four GOP members had said they would not consider meeting without Ennis.

Gorland to Attend

Ennis is restrained from taking the seat by court order, pending the outcome of an injunction suit questioning his right to it. Republicans Tuesday indicated they would abide by the order until the decision is made.

Among those attending tonight's meeting will be Emanuel Gorland, executive director of the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment. He said he would be present to answer questions about Resolution 14 and how it affects urban renewal.

City Clerk Leland Larrison said many city departments also need appropriations measures passed tonight in order to continue operating effectively.

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Second Renewal Plan on Council's Agenda Tonight

A second urban renewal project in the city will be presented for approval to the Common Council when it meets in January session at 8 o'clock tonight in City Hall.

The proposed second project's boundaries are irregular, and the work would be in conjunction with the expansion program of Indiana State College.

Also the city's lawmakers will hear two money requests, three rezoning measures and two other resolutions.

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THE RESOLUTIONS include an endorsement of the application of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company to acquire control of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad Company. The L. & N. seeks endorsement from cities served by the C. & E. I.

Another resolution expresses the regret of the council concerning the death of Councilman Oren J. Myrtle. Mrs. Myrtle recently was appointed to serve out her husband's term.

And the council will be asked to approve transfer of \$7,000 from the general fund to the Board of Public Works and Safety.

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ALSO THE TRANSFER of \$3,500 from the general fund to the city legal department to pay Attorney Wendel Tennis for legal services in connection with the city's opposition to the Terre Haute Water Works Corporation's petition for a rate increase.

A petition was submitted yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Felling to have property at 1900 North Tenth Street rezoned to a business property. The petition sets out the property would be used for the operation of a beauty shop.

Old rezoning matters are sites at 1732-36 North Third Street and the southwest corner of Fruitridge and Wabash avenues. If approved, the petitions set out service stations would be constructed on the sites.

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Mrs. Myrtle First Woman on Council

Mrs. Katherine Myrtle, widow of Councilman Oren J. Myrtle, in an unprecedented move here last night was unanimously elected to fill the unexpired term of her husband in the City Common Council.

Meeting in a swift special session at City Hall last night, the councilmen named Mrs. Myrtle, closed the nominations, then voted unanimously to seat her. She was not present.

The mother of four children, Mrs. Myrtle resides at 2800 Fenwood Avenue. She will represent the Third District as a Democrat member of the council for the next two years.

Local political observers said this is the first time a woman has served on the Terre Haute City Council. Her supporters said she is well qualified for the post since she assisted her husband with many of his political duties. Her first session will be Jan. 16, when the council meets in January session.

Councilman Myrtle died last Sunday after a long illness. He had served six years on the Council and was its president in 1960.

Councilmen Approve College Area Plans

Planning of an urban renewal project in connection with the Indiana State College expansion program on the city's near North Side was approved by the City Council last night.

And the city's lawmakers also approved a resolution confirming the legality of projects undertaken to date by the Terre Haute Housing Authority.

But before voting on these important measures, the Council elected George Kintz, Democrat, Fifth District, as president of the body for 1962. Robert X. Kelly, Democrat, councilman-at-large, was elected vice president.

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MEETING IN January session at City Hall, the Council voted unanimously (Republican Councilman Lawrence Jones, First District, abstained) to pass a resolution approving the undertaking of surveys and plans for an urban renewal project and for the filing of an application.

The proposed project has irregular boundary lines which extend south to parts of Poplar Street between First and Third streets, north along Lafayette Avenue between First and Fifth streets, then ramble up and down to Ninth Street.

Most of the area affected will be north of the college along Sycamore Street, then west of the college along Wabash Avenue, Cherry, Mulberry, Eagle and Chestnut streets.

In abstaining from the vote on extending the urban renewal area, Councilman Jones explained he felt Indiana State College has expanded successfully in the past using its traditional methods and that there is no need for its resort to the urban renewal procedures.

From its beginning as a normal school for teacher training, he said, the college has expended \$3,256,009 for land and \$16,620,

585 for buildings—a total of \$19,876,594—with only \$816,000 in federal grants. He pointed out that FHA loans of \$6,628,197 must be repaid with interest.

With this expansion record, he asked, why is it necessary to utilize the urban renewal route

which would remove large amounts of tax values from the duplicates, causing a loss of tax revenue to the city, and forcing the removal of numerous businesses which might not relocate within the city?

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THEN THE COUNCIL passed resolution approving the projects and locations thereof of the Housing Authority of the City of Terre Haute.

The move was made to validate actions of the local Housing Authority since there has been some question concerning the legality of that body.

City Attorney Frank Crawford explained that the resolution was added insurance in the event the Council had overlooked any legal steps when voting for the formation of the Housing Authority last April.

The question of legality of the local entity was raised in a condemnation proceeding filed by the Housing Authority against Mrs. Ray DeLana, owner of property near Twelfth and Lockport Road, the site of a proposed 100 unit low-rent housing project.

Attorney Samuel Beecher, Jr., filed objections to the Housing Authority's complaint, citing that the City Council failed to have a public hearing on the matter, as required by law.

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COUNCILMAN Jones and Councilman Malcolm Boone, Republican, Second District, voted against the measure confirming the previous actions of the Council and Housing Authority. They made a motion that the resolution be tabled indefinitely.

In other action, properties at 1732-36 North Third Street, and the southwest corner of Wabash Avenue and Twenty-fifth street, were rezoned to permit construction of gasoline service stations on the sites.

A new rezoning request, property at 1900 North Tenth Street, was placed in committee. The petitioners, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Felling, set out the property will be used for operation of a beauty shop.

Also sent to committee for study were two appropriation bills. The Board of Public Works and Safety seeks \$7,000 for contractual services for condemned building demolition and legal advertising. And the city legal department requests \$3,500 to pay attorney fees in connection with the city's opposition to The Terre Haute Water Works Corporation's petition for a rate increase.

City Council Appointments Are Announced

George D. Kintz, newly elected president of the Terre Haute City Council, announced the following list of council standing committee appointments for the 1962 council year.

Finance, Accounts and Claims—Councilmen Robert X. Kelly, William Butts and Raymond Stewart.

Contracts and Franchise—Councilmen Catherine Myrtle, Butts and Howard O. Gladden.

Election and Rules—Councilmen Gladden, Lawrence Jones and Stewart.

Fees and Salaries—Councilmen Dr. Malcolm Boone, Kintz and Kelly.

Health, Morals and Charity—Councilmen Jones, Gladden and Butts.

Public Safety, Comfort and Railroad—Councilmen Stewart, Myron Busby and Jones.

Sewers, Streets and Alleys—Councilmen Busby, Butts and Myrtle.

Investigation and Impeachment—Councilmen Kintz, Kelly and Boone.

Judiciary and Printing—Councilmen Myrtle, Busby and Boone.

New Sanitary District Before Council Again

The proposed ordinance which would create a sanitary district in the local area will be up for a further study at the March meeting of the Terre Haute Common Council which will be held at 8 o'clock Tuesday night at City Hall.

It has been pointed out that under such a district the city could realize the construction of an \$8.8 million storm and sanitary sewer program.

The program was contained in a survey report made by the Hurst-Roesch Inc., a consulting engineering firm hired by the city to survey the city problem.

During a special session of the council held last Friday night, Joe T. Adams, firm manager, explained that a Sanitary District has 8 per cent bonding powers as contrasted with the city's two per cent bonding power.

Such a program also would permit the city to extend sanitary district boundaries two miles beyond the city limits, making residents of those areas

deriving benefits from the improvements responsible for a share of the cost.

Consider Other Measures.

Also up for a second reading are a \$7,000 appropriation request by the Board of Public Works and Safety; a \$3,500 appropriation request by the legal department, and a petition to re-zone 1900 North Tenth street to allow the operation of a beauty shop.

Placed in committee during the February meeting was a proposal to grant the Jerrold Electronics Corporation the right to erect, maintain and operate television antenna service. If granted, the firm sets out that it would provide service which would enable its customers to receive extended television viewing. The proposal is up for a further study.

The council also is expected to review a bill to establish fees for permits issued under the city's new building code, a request for \$450 by the Board of Health and a request for \$25 by the electrical inspector.

Installation of a traffic signal at Seventh and Deming streets will be voted on during the session.

New business includes a proposed ordinance for the rezoning of property at 66 South Eighteenth street from a residential district into a business district.

Two financial appropriations are to be introduced. One would transfer \$15,000 from the city's general fund to the Board of Public Works and Safety for contractual services. The second would transfer \$75 from the general fund to the building inspector for supplies.

Consider Rezoning.

Up for second reading but expected to be continued in committee study awaiting a City Plan Committee report is a special ordinance to rezone property at 732 North Fruitridge avenue for business purposes. Paul E. and Ladonna Rowe Strahla have requested same for establishment of a pet shop.

A resolution is scheduled for presentation authorizing the Board of Public Works and Safety to file a petition with the Vigo Circuit Court relative to an exchange of property near Hulman and First streets in the sewage disposal construction program.

The land is necessary for the relocation, enlargement and extension of the Hulman street sewer to a point of intersection with the interceptor sewer now in construction along the east bank of the Wabash River. The interceptor sewer will lead into the sewage disposal plant, also under construction at the southwest edge of the city.

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Delays On Overpasses

By PAT BARNES

Tribune Staff Writer

Mayor Leland Larrison Thursday vetoed Special Ordinance No. 28, calling for a yearly increase of \$250, plus fringe benefits, for members of the police and fire departments.

He had vowed to veto the ordinance July 2 when the Terre Haute City Council approved the pay increase by a 7-2 vote.

The Mayor said he planned to deliver the unsigned ordinance to City Clerk Schuman Hunter as the last order of business at 4 p.m. Thursday.

In a letter to the president and members of the City Council, the Mayor explained his veto:

"I am returning herewith Special Ordinance No. 28, 1969, as amended, unsigned, for the following reasons:

"It is not in line with the increases in pay as suggested by this administration. Also the 90 per cent of the health and hospitalization premium paid for by the city for the police and firemen and their families and dependents is not in line with the thinking of this administration. This plan would include with active and temporary members of the forces.

"The longevity pay is far out of line and ceases to be longevity pay due to the fact that the entire amount of the \$600 allowed as longevity pay, with exception of \$60, will be paid out at the end of five years on the forces."

In other related comments Thursday, the Mayor said members of the Terre Haute City Council were just "playing games" Wednesday when they postponed action on three ordinances which were necessary to begin construction on an overpass.

The council meeting in regular session Wednesday night at City Hall voted 6-2 to postpone until August action on a request for \$61,000 to be used for engineering and design work on an overpass at the Penn Central

crossing at North 9th St.

Council members also voted to postpone action on a supplemental contract with Clyde E. Williams and Associates, Inc., an Indianapolis firm engaged to do the planning of the overpass and another ordinance with the same firm to conduct a feasibility survey on Fruitridge Ave.

Mayor Larrison said he was sure the postponement of the three ordinances by the council was a result of his previous veto of an earlier pay increase for members of the police and fire departments.

In other business, the council gave the Board of Aviation Commissioners permission to sell approximately 100 acres remaining at the former Paul Cox Airport at Seventh Street and Davis Avenue and apply the money gained to improvements at Hulman Field.

Ordinances pertaining to transient merchants operating in the city, disposition of junk motor vehicles on city streets and changes in the city's electrical code were passed.

Five appropriation ordinances totalling more than \$60,000 also were voted approval.

The \$61,000 appropriation ordinance for overpass work was the first on the agenda. It was defeated by a 6-2 vote, with Councilmen William Ennis and Kenneth Mier voting in favor of passage. Councilmen John Napier, Lawrence Jones, James Cook, Warren Henderson, Leonard Kirchner and Eugene Chernay voted for postponement of action until the August meeting.

Councilman Napier said, "Construction of an overpass on North Ninth Street would be absolutely ridiculous." He said he favored North Thirteenth Street for the location.

Three of the general ordinances passed by the council were lengthy and the council

voted to suspend the rules and not have them read in full.

The junk car ordinance makes it unlawful for any person to abandon any motor vehicle within the city and leave an inoperable vehicle for more than a period of five days.

The ordinance defines an inoperative motor vehicle as any motor vehicle not within an enclosed building, in a non-operating condition and in a wrecked, damaged, deteriorated, or partly dismantled condition.

Persons found violating the ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction may be fined not in excess of \$50, and each day such violation is committed will be considered a separate offense.

Property at 1464 Ohio St., was rezoned from apartmental to limited commercial. It was reported an office building will be constructed at the site. Other property rezoned by ordinance is located at 2001 N. 19th St., and 2309 Maple Ave.

Five new ordinances introduced at the meeting were turned over to council committees for study until the August meeting.

All councilmen except Clyde Nattkemper attended the meeting. It was reported Nattkemper was ill.

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20-Gallon
Trash Cans

A resolution endorsing the action of the Gibson Service Co., to pick up only trash in 20-gallon and not to pick up trash in 55-gallon drums, was passed by a 6-1 vote of the Terre Haute City Council Tuesday night during a special session.

The Gibson Service Co. has a contract with the city for the collection of ash, trash and garbage. Company officials recently notified the public they would no longer handle the 55-gallon containers.

The resolution specifies the containers shall be 15 or 20 gallon in capacity, metal, plastic or rubber containers with handles. Sturdy plastic bags will be permitted, according to the resolution.

The resolution also reads in part, "The Common Council of the City of Terre Haute further resolves that it would be unduly burdensome on the Gibson Service Company and its employees, to be required to be responsible for the removal of trash, garbage and debris from broken plastic bags, and the Common Council of Terre Haute does hereby urge the citizens of the City of Terre Haute to cooperate in the use of the designated containers in this Resolution and further urges citizens of the City of Terre Haute to use care in the collection and storage of trash and debris in the City, and care in the use of plastic bags."

Max Gibson announced last week his company, effective Feb. 1, would only pick up trash placed in sturdy 20-gallon con-

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tainers with handles. Gibson said since the city Council passed Special Ordinance No. 14, which prohibits open burning in the city of Terre Haute, collection of waste material has increased.

Gibson said a standardization of containers would assist his company in collecting the trash, garbage and debris.

Councilman Kenneth Mier, who introduced the anti-burning ordinance, was the only councilman to vote against the special solution that calls for the use of sturdy 15-20 gallon containers. Mier said he wanted to amend the resolution to include 30-gallon containers "because many residents of Terre Haute have already purchased 30-gallon containers and have them in use."

The council also passed Special Ordinance No. 6, 1971 that ratified and approved the action of the Board of Public Works and Safety in entering into a labor contract with the Terre Haute Transportation Utility on Jan. 1.

Appropriation No. 3, 1971, that would approve the appropriation of \$461,833 for the Fruitridge Avenue Project from the secondary street fund, was placed into financial committee.

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Napier Resigns
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From Council

In a letter to Terre Haute City Council President William Ennis, dated June 11, Second District Councilman John E. Napier officially submitted his resignation from the Council.

Napier was elected Second District City Councilman in 1967 and was seeking a second term, having won the nomination in the May city primary.

He has recently been promoted to a new position with Canteen Corporation, which will require that he and his family move to St. Louis, Mo.

It is expected that the City Council will act soon to fill the vacancy created by Napier's resignation.

Council Upholds Pay Veto; Overpass Ordinances Voted

Although seven voted for it, only five members of the City Council reaffirmed their stand for a \$250 pay hike ordinance for police and firemen at a special session Friday night, thereby sustaining Mayor Larrison's veto of the latest money package.

The mayor, who said "It (the

ordinance) is not in line with the increase in pay as suggested by this administration," won approval of three ordinances concerning overpasses in the city at the meeting.

Representatives of the police and firemen wage committees will conduct meetings early next week to discuss what course of action to take.

Following the meeting the mayor said a new ordinance will be introduced concerning the pay increases, but he said he did not know what it would call for.

Six votes were needed to override the mayor's veto; however, only five were garnered. Councilmen James Cook, Lawrence Jones, Leonard Kirchner, John Napier and Joseph Chernay voted to override, while Councilmen Warren Henderson, Kenneth Mier, William Ennis and Clyde Nattemper voted to sustain the veto.

When the ordinance was passed by the council July 12, Ennis and Henderson voted for it.

On June 19, the council upheld Larrison's veto of an ordinance that would have granted \$425 salary increases to firemen and policemen.

The ordinance vetoed Friday also called for a \$200 increase in pay on the second anniversary of employment, a \$170 increase on the fourth anniversary, a \$170 increase on the sixth anniversary, and an additional \$60 after 18 years.

It also granted days off for seven legal holidays.

In addition, starting Jan. 1, 1970, the city would have paid 90 per cent of the hospitalization insurance for police, firemen and their families.

Although the council voted at its regular meeting last Wednesday night to postpone action on the three ordinances concerning overpass construction in the city until the next regular meeting, they were included on the agenda for the special meeting and all were passed.

An appropriation ordinance

for \$61,000 passed by a 6-3 vote. The negative votes were cast by Napier, Kirchner and Chernay. Approximately \$56,000 of the appropriation, which will come from the city's cumulative capital improvement fund, will be used for design engineering for

an overpass or underpass at the Penn Central crossing on North Ninth Street. The remaining money will be used for a feasibility study of an overpass and traffic conditions on North Fruitridge Avenue.

Councilman Napier, who favors North Thirteenth Street for the overpass site said before voting, "An overpass on North Ninth Street will be a monument to the stupidity of this administration."

The two other overpass ordinances passed concerned contracts entered into between the Board of Public Works and Safety and Clyde Williams and Associates, Inc., Indianapolis, an engineering firm.

City Council Will Fill Napier's Seat

The Terre Haute City Council will meet in special session Thursday, June 24, to select a replacement for Councilman John E. Napier, Republican, Second District, who submitted his resignation.

Mayor Leland Larrison said Thursday there are three prospective candidates for the vacant post. They include Thurman Miller, Gene Trummel and Malcolm Boone, father of former Councilman Malcolm Boone.

Larrison said that by law the council must meet within 15 days from the resignation of Napier to fill the vacant councilman post.

Napier submitted his resignation after being transferred to St. Louis to become manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Napier was successful in winning re-nomination for Second District councilman office in the May primary election.

A replacement for Napier in the November election will be named by County Republican Chairman Thomas Hicks.

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**Money for
Street Work**

An appropriation ordinance calling for \$200,000 to be used for a street resurfacing program was passed during the regular monthly session of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night.

The money was needed to match a \$200,000 federal grant the city received earlier for the street work.

Mayor Leland Larrison last week announced plans for the extensive street resurfacing, street widening and alley resurfacing program.

In other action the council voted to withdraw an ordinance which would have permitted the rezoning of property near Union Hospital to be used for a mobile home court.

Councilman John E. Napier, who introduced Special Ordinance No. 1, 1971, made a motion the ordinance be withdrawn. It was rumored Napier withdrew the rezoning ordinance because he did not have enough support at this time from other members of the council to assure its passage. Since the ordinance was withdrawn, it can

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be re-introduced at a later date.

The rezoning ordinance would have allowed Melvin J. Myles and Hazel Myles, 1940 N. 5th St., to build a trailer court on a nine-acre tract of land located north of Union Hospital and south of Maple Ave. between N. 4th and 6th Sts.

Special Ordinance No. 11, 1971, that will pave the way for construction of modular or pre-constructed homes in Terre Haute, was passed. The ordinance stipulates the buildings must pass the building code of the city of Terre Haute and Federal Housing Authority standards.

The Council also passed General Ordinance No. 2, 1971, that allows the Board of Public Works and Safety to do "any and all things necessary to carry into effect the Fruitridge Ave. Project."

This will allow the Board of Public Works and Safety to purchase ground and to advertise bidding for the overpass project, on which construction is expected to start in early April.

The overpass project will begin at Riley Ave. about a block south of Wabash Ave. The new four-lane highway will angle to the east, crossing Wabash at Blakely Ave., then continue to the Penn Central tracks north of Locust St. At that point the overpass will be built over the Penn Central tracks. (north of the Quaker Maid Plant).

The new four-lane highway will then angle back to the west and join the present Fruitridge roadway, which will be widened to the Ft. Harrison Road.

The council also passed an ordinance to rezone the southeast corner of Fruitridge and Wabash Ave. from limited community commercial to R-3 General residence.

New business brought before the council included an ordinance authorizing the employment of legal council on behalf of the City Council. This concerns the petition for an injunction filed Feb. 1, 1971 in Vigo Circuit Court by the Terre Haute Masonic Temple Association, Inc.

The petition for an injunction names the City of Terre Haute as defendant and asks the city be enjoined from the closing North Eighth Street between N. 8th St. between Cherry and Eagle Sts.

A resolution was also introduced approving application for a preliminary loan for low rent housing.

Eight councilmen attended the meeting. Councilman Leonard Kirchner was absent.

Council Passes Two General City Ordinances

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Two General Ordinances, one pertaining to transient merchants and the other which changed portions of the city's electrical code, were passed at Wednesday night's meeting of the Terre Haute City Council.

General Ordinance No. 2, 1969, amends sections 727.01 and 727.04 of the municipal code of the city.

Transient merchant is defined in the ordinance as all persons, individuals, firms, associations, partnerships, corporations, both as principals and agents, or their agents who engage in, do or transact any business with the City of Terre Haute of selling goods, wares, merchandise, contracts for construction, alteration or repair, or services, and who, for the purpose of carrying on, doing or transacting any such business, do not maintain offices with the city, on a bona fide, continuous and regular basis.

Persons desiring to engage in this type of business shall file their application for a license with the Board of Public Works and Safety. The applicant shall

pay the city controller a fee of \$20 per day for the first 10 days, and \$10 per day for each day thereafter. Licenses issued will only be good for one person.

General Ordinance No. 4, 1969, includes several revisions and added clauses from the 1961 city electrical code.

The revisions include a Class III journeyman's license of \$10, Class V electric sign mechanic fee of \$10 with annual renewal fees for both of \$5.

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T.H. CITY COUNCIL City Council OKs Budget STAR 8-24-69 Calling For \$3.71 Levy

By RON La ROCHE
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Monday night unanimously passed the 1970 proposed civil city budget of \$3,941,000, calling for a 35-cent increase in the 1970 tax levy.

The 1970 budget requires a tax levy of approximately \$3.71 for each \$100 of assessed valuation. The present tax levy is \$3.36.

Mayor Leland Larrison termed the council's passage of the budget as "the finest job on any budget that I've ever seen. I want to highly compliment them on the way they handled it."

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"I've seen other councils bicker and hassle over the budget," Larrison said. "But this council sailed through it like fine gentlemen."

"They cut everything they could from the budget, and I think the community owes them a lot of appreciation for the job they did," Larrison added.

The budget passed by the unanimous approval of Councilmen Clyde D. Natkemper, Leonard P. Kirchner, Eugene Chernay, Lawrence Jones, John E. Napier, Warren Henderson and Council President William J. Ennis.

Councilman James Cook is in Army Reserve training and

Councilman Kenneth Mier is on vacation.

When the special meeting opened, Ennis reminded the council six votes would be needed to pass the budget.

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Jones said, "We've spent considerable time going over this budget. . . . I move we suspend the rules and not read it in its entirety."

Napier seconded the motion and, as in all vote counts Mon-

day night, the motion passed unanimously by a 7-0 vote.

A communication requesting council members to meet with members of the Plumbers and Steamfitters, Local 157, and the Plumbing Contractor's Association was read by L. Schuman Hunter, city clerk.

Then Ennis opened the meeting for discussion of appropriations ordinance No. 24 as amended. There was no discussion and Jones moved to accept the ordinance. Henderson seconded the motion and it passed 7-0.

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Ordinance No. 24 as amended calls for appropriation of funds for expenses incurred by the city for the fiscal year beginning Jan. 1, 1970 and ending Dec. 31, 1970.

Ennis then opened the meeting for discussion of special ordinance No. 33 as amended which fixed the tax levy. Again there was no discussion.

Napier moved to pass the ordinance and Jones seconded the motion. Another 7-0 vote followed.

Jones said, "I move we railroad this thing through and adjourn." Kirchner added a second to the motion and the council adjourned.

The largest increases in the budget are included in the fire and police department pension funds, salary increases for both departments, payment of 50 per cent of hospital insurance premiums by the city, salary increases for other city employees and payment of 50 per cent of their insurance premiums.

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Before accepting the budget, the council made appropriations cuts totaling \$37,026 in meetings Monday, Aug. 11, and Wednesday, Aug. 13.

The cuts represented a 3.36 per cent reduction in the tax levy at the first meeting and less than one-half cent at the second meeting.

Departmental requests included in the budget that passed Monday night are:

Mayor—\$27,112.

p>Controller—\$147,226.
Barrett Law—\$4,792.
Mining Engineers—\$795.
Clerk—\$35,575.
City Council—\$16,600.
City Judge—\$14,050.
City Treasurer—\$960.
Legal Department—\$23,062.
City Hall—\$43,312.
Engineers—\$42,050.
Deputy Engineers and Building Inspector—\$62,040.
Weights and Measures—\$6,150.
Redevelopment—\$450.
Fire Alarm—\$2,345.
Fire Department—\$1,141,920.
Police Department—\$893,838.
Police Traffic—\$3,350.
Board of Works and Safety—\$1,481,644.
Planning Commission—\$1,460.
Board of Zoning Appeals—\$800.
Human Relations—\$800.
Park Department—\$317,623.

T.H. CITY COUNCIL
City Council OKs
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Housing Code Change

BY JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night changed its mind on General Ordinance No. 6, which it turned down last month by a 4-2 vote, and passed it by a 5-3 vote.

The ordinance calls for revisions in city municipal housing code, providing for certain

sanitary conditions for private dwellings.

In September the ordinance was voted down because it was not certain whether the provisions would be retroactive, or whether they would be in effect only from the time of passage of the ordinance.

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In other matters Wednesday night, the council passed two appropriation ordinances, one for \$2,800 transferring funds within the park department for payment of heat, office supplies, sewage, water and communications bills, and the other for a \$10,000 transfer from the city general fund to the Board of Public Works and Safety to provide funds for operation of the city buses for the remainder of the year.

City Controller Carl Price said the city had allocated \$40,000 for the bus operation, but another \$10,000 will be needed.

The council also approved authorization to the Board of Aviation Commissioners to dispose of the Wiley High School property.

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Hunter Given Raise of \$1,500

Members of the Terre Haute City Council during their regular monthly meeting Wednesday night passed a general ordinance calling for revisions in the city municipal housing code and passed a resolution granting a salary hike of \$1,500 for City Clerk L. Schuman Hunter.

Among other business passed by the council was two appropriation ordinances.

By a vote of 5-3 the council passed General Ordinance No. 6, which it had turned down at last month's meeting.

All eight councilmen voted in favor of City Clerk Hunter receiving the \$1,500 salary hike. The money will be derived from the sewage disposal budget.

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Ends Army Duty

City Councilman James Cook, 2058 N. 7th St., who was called last August to a four and one-half month tour of active duty with the U. S. Army at Ft. Campbell, Ky., has returned to Terre Haute upon completion of the tour.

Cook will take his seat at the regular meeting of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night.

During active duty he ranked 12th out of a company of 1,200 men in physical combat proficiency tests.

He is employed by the Vigo County School Corp. and will teach elementary physical education at various schools in the county.

He will remain in the reserve military forces with Co. C, 573 Combat Engineers.

T H City Council

Urban Renewal Officials Ready for Council Hearing

TRIB 10-17-1969

By JAMES DRESSLER
Tribune Staff Writer

The commissioners of the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment and Golby C. Uhlir, the department's executive director, will testify voluntarily at an investigative hearing to be conducted at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday by the City Council.

Councilmen requested the hearing to investigate allega-

tions made by a former employee of the department, Miss Mary L. Coordes, who charged the department with irregularities in a letter of resignation that came to the attention of the City Council.

If the commissioners, Uhlir or Miss Coordes should fail to attend voluntarily, City Councilman Lawrence R. Jones said they would be subpoenaed.

Miss Coordes, when contacted

Friday morning, said she is not certain whether she will attend the hearing.

"I suppose I'll be there," she said. "I don't know really."

Miss Coordes said she did not expect such a hula-baloo to be raised over her letter of resignation, which she presented to Uhlir and the commissioners on Sept. 8.

"I didn't expect it to become public," she said. "I did not give it out beyond the Redevelopment Department."

Councilman Jones said he saw a copy of her letter and decided the councilmen should ask her if she could back up the serious allegations she made in the letter.

Uhlir, at Thursday's monthly meeting of the Department of Redevelopment, said he had no idea what Miss Coordes was referring to in her reference to his alleged taking of bribes. "I was completely surprised by it," Uhlir said.

During Thursday's meeting Uhlir read Miss Coordes' letter of resignation, dated four days before she was scheduled to retire. He also made public a letter of reply he sent Miss Coordes on Sept. 10.

In his letter Uhlir said he was concerned with the allegations and accusations she had made, and he invited her to meet with him and the department's commissioners at her convenience to specifically iden-

tify the improprieties she had alleged. Uhlir said he had received no reply to his letter.

The full text of Miss Coordes' letter of resignation follows:

Sept. 8, 1969

"I am submitting this resignation to you, Mr. Uhlir. After your crude conduct this afternoon I have no other recourse. I no longer wish to be associated with you and would be ashamed for you in any other contact we might have.

"I have been a part of the urban renewal program in Terre Haute since its beginning and until recently have been proud of the progress made by the program. Since you came to Terre Haute I have seen instances of your inadequacy as Executive Director and have heard rumors that are prevalent in the city which are to your detriment, including possible taking of bribes by you and other irregularities. I know of many instances of your failure to tell the truth to the commissioners.

"I regret that my service to the city is ended in this fashion but under your control there is no way for an employee to receive a fair hearing."

(Signed)

MARY L. COORDES

Uhlir said he had no knowledge of what Miss Coordes referred to as his "crude conduct" unless it was that he asked her to talk with him about social security benefits that would have been due her upon her retirement, which had been scheduled for Sept. 12.

Sept. 10, Uhlir sent the following letter to Miss Coordes:

Sept. 10, 1969

"Dear Mary,

"I also regret the manner in which you terminated your service to the Department. I

have talked to each of the employees and they also expressed surprise.

"Dee (Mrs. Deioris Perins), Bob (Robert L. Payne) and Halcyone (Mrs. Halcyone Porter) had each talked to me during the day on questions relating to the payroll and a retirement dinner, so they were possibly surprised more than the others.

"I am sure the city has benefitted from your service and hope you have gained satisfaction in so serving.

"I am likewise concerned with the allegations and accusations made in your resignation letter, and am personally inviting you to meet with me and the Commission at your convenience to specifically identify the improprieties which you allege. The Commission shares this concern and request."

Sincerely (signed)

"GOLBY C. UHLIR
Executive Director

Council To Renew Study Of Salaries

By JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

There were new developments Tuesday in the salary dispute between city police and firemen and the administration.

Mayor Leland Larrison at a news conference Tuesday afternoon said he had met with city councilmen and a new ordinance would be brought before the council, but terms of the ordinance were not revealed. He said there might be a special council meeting Thursday night to consider the ordinance.

Tuesday night, 98 per cent of the firemen on the "B" shift met and by secret ballot voted to give their officers the right to call a membership meeting for a strike vote in case no settlement is reached. Monday

night, 97 per cent of the "A" shift voted the same way.

Terre Haute firemen are members of Terre Haute Local 758, International Association of Firefighters.

Richard Settle, who heads the police wage and scale committee, Tuesday said, "It is illegal for police to strike and we intend to abide by the law."

Larrison said he believes the ordinance that is to be introduced by one of the councilmen will partly satisfy everyone concerned — police and firemen, the council and himself. He said it includes a basic pay increase with some changes in insurance and pay for length of service.

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The original request never was submitted to the council. Instead, an ordinance calling for a \$425 increase, plus the fringe benefits was passed by the council, then was vetoed by Mayor Larrison. The council upheld the mayor's veto.

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After the meeting of firemen Tuesday night, Robert L. Demps, president of the Indiana State Association of Fire Fighters, who attended spoke to the news media for the local men.

He said, "The mayor of this city in a news release indicated that some of the council and himself have reached a 'closed-door' agreement to propose to the firefighters and police." He indicated in this release that the new proposal does not meet the agreement on which the firefighters have agreed to accept, that being ordinance No. 28, amended July 2, which the council passed 7-2 and the mayor vetoed."

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In closing, Demps said, "Again we call upon the citizens to contact their councilmen and mayor in an effort to avert a possible disaster in this city."

Council To Seek Ways For Extra Fruitridge Sum

The Terre Haute City Council, scheduled to meet in regular session Wednesday night, is expected to consider an appropriation ordinance that would set aside \$140,000 for use in the Fruitridge Avenue improvement project.

The ordinance, which will be submitted by Councilman William Ennis, would set the sum aside from the city's cumulative capital improvement fund, in order to offset a deficit created by the failure of the bankrupt Penn Central Transportation Co. to pay its share of the project.

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Penn Central originally agreed to pay the \$140,000 of the construction costs, but then refused to meet the obligation when it began experiencing financial difficulties.

Also to be considered under old business are two ordinances that would grant pay increases to the city police and firemen. One was submitted to the council by former Councilman John E. Napier in April, calling for annual salary increases ranging from \$550 to \$1,000, depending on the rank of department members. Napier formally resigned his council seat last Friday.

A second compromise proposal, submitted by Councilman Kenneth Mier at the May meeting, calls for a \$300 increase across-the-board for both departments, as well as a \$200 clothing allowance.

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Both ordinances have been the source of considerable controversy, with Mayor Leland Larrison backing the Mier proposal, and the Terre Haute Fraternal Order of Police pushing for the Napier ordinance.

Also expected to be on the agenda are several rezoning ordinances, one of which would rezone a tract of land located at 100 S. Fruitridge Ave., from commercial to general residential, in anticipation of the construction of an apartment house complex there.

An ordinance creating two additional holidays for city employees also will be included in the new business, bringing the total number of holidays to nine.

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Remap Measure Up For Restudy By City Council

A redistricting ordinance introduced in the City Council last month may meet some opposition when the council meets Wednesday night according to Council President William Ennis.

The ordinance, introduced by Councilmen Lawrence R. Jones and Kenneth Mier, calls for providing "Equality in representation under the rule of 'one man-one-vote,' using the population figures of 1970." A U.S. Supreme Court decision makes such redistricting mandatory. Ennis said he expects the ordinance to cause "a little heated discussion."

A \$200,000 appropriation ordinance for city street work and a request for rezoning to accommodate a trailer park also are expected to be considered.

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"Redistricting should be the most critical issue to come up," said Ennis, "but some councilmen are not happy with the way in which it was proposed."

The Second and Sixth Districts are among those cited by Jones and Mier as having disproportionate populations. The Second District has about 9,000 registered voters, and the Sixth District has slightly more than 3,000.

Some councilmen reportedly oppose the present redistricting move because it is based upon the number of registered voters in the districts rather than upon 1970 census figures.

Ennis said if the differences cannot be worked out in a caucus before the council meeting, that the ordinance might be withdrawn.

An appropriation ordinance to allocate some \$200,000 to improve Terre Haute's streets also will be on the agenda, according to City Controller Carl Price. The funds, if appropriated, will then be matched by the federal government through a street improvement program called TOPIC.

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The money must be spent specifically for street reconstruction, or redesign," Price said, "as we cannot use the money for simple resurfacing."

Even though the blacktopping season will not begin until sometime in April, Price said he is asking the bill be introduced now, so all the red tape will be out of the way when the time comes.

Both Price and Ennis indicated they believed the appropriation would be approved without much difficulty.

An ordinance to rezone certain property for the construction of a trailer court also will be considered. Melvin J. Myles and Hazel Myles, 1940 N. 5th St., are seeking permission to build the trailer court on a nine-acre tract north of Union Hospital and south of Maple Avenue between North Fourth and Sixth Streets.

The ordinance was referred to the City Planning Commission at the January City Council meeting. Charles Vincent, attorney for the planning group, said the commission will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. in order to decide whether to decide upon a recommendation for or against passage.

According to the owners, the land is undeveloped and a trailer court would constitute an improvement to the area.

Ennis said some councilmen are in favor of rezoning the property and some are against it. He said the city council probably will follow the planning commission's recommendations.

Terre Haute City Council Proposal Will Offer \$250 Raise

Terre Haute Tribune 7/23/69
BULLETIN

THE TRIBUNE learned from official sources Wednesday afternoon that the new police-firemen pay increase ordinance to be presented to the City Council Thursday night will call for a pay increase of \$250 and the payment by the city of 50 per cent of hospitalization insurance. The last previous ordinance passed by the city council and vetoed by Mayor Larrison provided payment of 90 per cent of the hospitalization insurance. The salary increase in the new ordinance remains unchanged.

Members of the Terre Haute City Council will meet in special session at 7 p.m. Thursday at City Hall in an attempt to resolve the long hard disputed battle over a salary increase for members of the police and fire departments.

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John E. Etling, president of the Vigo-Sullivan-Clay County Central Labor Council, issued the following statement Wednesday afternoon:

"In the event that it has not been made abundantly clear to the Mayor, the City Council, and the community at large, let me restate the position of organized labor in regard to the wage and fringe benefit request of Firefighters Union, Local 758, AFL-CIO.

"The Vigo-Sullivan-Clay Central Labor Council is on record in complete support of their modest requests. As to the question of a strike, this will be the Firefighters' own decision to make. But, make no mistake, they will have the complete and wholehearted support of the Labor Council."

City Council Council Takes Up Pay Measure

Jim Swift, president of the good ordinance. It goes right along with my thinking in granting what I call a very substantial pay raise."

Councilman John Napier last month introduced an ordinance before the council which called for pay increases ranging from \$550 to \$1,000 annually depending on the rank of the man on each department.

The ordinance (Special Ordinance No. 29) calls for an annual increase for members of the police and fire departments of \$300 in addition to receiving an increase of \$200 in clothing allotment. Presently firemen and police receive \$200 a year in clothing allowance.

Swift, who is a captain with the police department and served as a lobbyist as the last session of the Indiana General Assembly for the state FOP, said the local lodge voted unanimously Wednesday night to support the wage committee. Swift said the wage committee will meet prior to tonight's council meeting at city hall.

Mayor Leland Larrison has endorsed the ordinance which is sponsored by Councilman Kenneth Mier.

The mayor said, "it's a very

Haute with Muncie or Anderson," he said, "because they have more industry. The tax rate is high enough here already."

The Terre Haute Fraternal Order of Police, which has strongly supported the Napier proposal, has consistently criticized the local pay scale by comparing it with other major Indiana cities.

Larrison said the city could not afford to assume the financial burden required by the present proposal during a single fiscal year.

According to City Controller Carl Price, the proposed pay increase submitted by Napier would cost the city more than \$300,000 in added taxes be raised, while Mier's proposal would cost the city about \$158,000.

At present, the city payroll for firemen stands at about \$1,003,348.00 and for policemen at slightly more than \$726,000. This is in addition to \$745,135.38 paid out last year to recipients of police and fire department pensions.

FOP members point out, however, they pay three per cent of their monthly earnings into the pension fund, which is not paid to active members of the police and fire departments, but to retirees, widows and dependents.

Price said the added tax revenue needed to fund any such wage rise would probably come from one of two sources, money pared from the budgets of other departments, or an increase in local property taxes.

Terre Haute residents paid \$3.52 for each \$100 assessed valuation in 1970. Price said the Mier proposal would probably amount to an added 15 cents on the dollar, while the Napier proposal could be expected to cost taxpayers about 30 cents more.

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Napier, however, has held out for the higher wage proposal, saying he believes the city could cut an estimated \$150,000 from other departmental budgets.

Larrison said he would favor Mier's proposal, "with the anticipation of granting additional reasonable raises each year."

Councilman William Ennis has suggested a multi-year pay package with guaranteed increases over a period of two or three years.

The FOP opposes such a plan, saying it is wrong to mandate future city councils to spend money.

The salary schedules proposed by both measures call for beginning firemen and policemen with less than one year's service to remain at the present yearly salary of \$6,270.

But Napier's ordinance (Special Ordinance No. 25) calls for firemen with the rank of private and policemen with the rank of patrolmen, having completed one year's service to receive an annual salary of \$7,000, \$6,450. Mier's ordinance would raise the second year men to \$6,750.

The only other major difference in the two proposals lies in the area of group insurance coverage. The Napier proposal would mandate the city to pay 90 per cent of the annual premium for group health and hospitalization insurance, while Mier's ordinance would pay for 50 per cent of the annual premium.

Both measures also call for employees of the two departments, regardless of rank, to receive additional compensation based upon their years of service.

The council is expected to devote most of the meeting to discussion of the two proposals, with the only other major item of business scheduled being a proposal to raise the number of recognized holidays for city employees from seven to nine.

The council regularly meets on the third Wednesday of each month, but voted last week to postpone the meeting until Thursday in order to enable councilmen to attend the annual meeting Wednesday night of the Vigo Chapter of the Wabash Valley Association.

Below is a schedule comparing present police and firemen's wages with those proposed by Napier and Mier:

FIRE DEPARTMENT			
	Present	Napier	Mier
Private	\$6,450	\$7,000	\$6,750
Lieutenant	6,750	7,400	7,050
Captain	6,990	7,740	7,290
Asst. Chief	7,410	8,410	7,710
Chief of Alarm	7,410	8,410	7,710
System	7,410	8,410	7,710
Mechanic	7,050	7,700	7,350
POLICE DEPARTMENT			
Patrolman	\$6,450	\$7,000	\$6,750
Sergeant	6,750	7,400	7,050
Lieutenant	6,990	7,740	7,290
Captain	7,410	8,310	7,710
Chief of Det.	7,650	8,650	7,950

T.H. CITY COUNCIL
11/18/70
**Leaf Burning
Ordinance Up
To Council**

Passage of an ordinance which would permit Terre Haute residents to burn leaves during certain months of the year is expected Wednesday night during the regular monthly session of the City Council.

The nine-member body will meet at 8 p.m. in the courtroom at City Hall.

In addition to the leaf burning ordinance the council is expected to act upon several rezoning ordinances and money transfers.

Councilman Gene Chernav (D-4th district), also is expected to introduce a resolution that would encourage the Board of Trustees of the Vigo County School Corp. to rename the two new high schools North Terre Haute and South Terre Haute High Schools. The school board last month voted to name the schools Terre Haute North Vigo and Terre Haute South Vigo High Schools.

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**City Council Delays
Leaf-Burning Action**

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night passed Ordinance No. 45 authorizing the Board of Public Works and Safety to employ legal counsel in a suit involving the demotion of a city policeman and delayed action on Special Ordinance No. 42 that would allow the burning of leaves inside the city limits of Terre Haute.

Special Ordinance No. 42 would amend Special Ordinance No. 14, which was passed in September, that prohibits the burning of garbage or refuse within the city limits. Ordinance No. 42, if passed, would allow the burning of leaves only from late October to early December.

Special Ordinance No. 45, which passed by a 5-3 vote, with Councilman Lawrence R. Jones absent, will allow the Board of Works to employ legal counsel in a suit brought by Patrolman Everett Basham. Basham was demoted from the rank of sergeant to the rank of private by the Board of Works on a charge of conduct unbecoming an officer. Basham is seeking to regain his rank and to receive back pay in accordance with the rank of sergeant.

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The council also passed numerous ordinances to transfer money in accounts that had an excess of funds to accounts that were lacking funds.

These appropriations included Ordinance No. 14, which transferred \$3,800 from the general fund to the police department; No. 18, which appropriated

\$7,000 for the Board of Public Works; Ordinance No. 18, which appropriated \$2,100 for the Cemetery Department; Ordinance No. 19, which appropriated \$7,000 for the Board of Public Works to be used for the Transportation

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Department and Ordinance No. 21, which appropriated \$5,000 for the Controller's office.

The City Council also passed Ordinance No. 37 that would license and regulate budget service and credit counseling companies in the city of Terre Haute.

The ordinance, which was introduced by councilman John E. Napier passed by a 8-0 vote.

The council also passed a number of rezoning ordinances, which included Ordinance No. 41, that rezoned property at 2001 and 2003 S. 13th St. from C-2 Limited Community to M-1 Light Industrial; Ordinance No. 44, that rezoned property at 940-960 Popular St. from heavy industrial to C-6 (strip business district).

Also passed was Ordinance No. 29, 1970 that calls for the removal of existing traffic controls at the intersection of Lafayette Avenue and Seventh Street.

New business introduced to the council included Ordinance No. 47, that would rezone property located at the southwest corner of Fruitridge and Haythorne avenues. (R-1 mobile home trailer park district) calls for the erection of a yield Ordinance No. 50, that would rezone property in A. White's Subdivision (to be used as a beauty shop), and Ordinance No. 53, that would establish no parking on the north side of Maple Avenue from Ninth Street to Thirteenth Street.

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City Council
Orders Parks
Roads Paved

Members of the Terre Haute City Council, by a vote of 6-2, appropriated \$45,000 for the park department to completely resurface all roads in the city parks.

The appropriation ordinance was one of several measures voted upon as the council members met in regular monthly session at City Hall.

An ordinance calling for \$35,000 for a new ultra modern police radio system and an ordinance asking for \$10,000 to remodel a room to house the new equipment were turned over to council committees for further study.

In other action, the council approved payment of \$5,000 to the Clyde Williams and Associates, Inc., engineering firm for a survey already completed concerning location and construction of an overpass in the city; established a "no parking" area on Thirteenth Street from Chestnut to Poplar Street, and ratified a contract between the Board of Public Works and Safety and the Terre Haute Transportation Utility.

The council also sustained Mayor Leland Larrison's veto of an amended regulatory taxicab ordinance passed at the February council meeting.

The \$45,000 appropriation ordinance was passed by a vote of 6-2, with Councilmen Leonard Kirchner and Eugene Chernay casting the dissenting votes.

Park Superintendent Howard Harbaugh said he was gratified the money for the road work was granted. He said bids will be advertised immediately for the work and he hopes the resurfacing can start with the advent of good weather.

Harbaugh said new parking areas will be constructed near the clubhouse at Rea Park and near one of the large shelters at Deming.

In explaining their "no" votes on the ordinance, Kirchner and Chernay said they felt the sum was too great for use by the park department.

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The vote to sustain Larrison's veto of the taxi ordinance was 7-1, with Chernay voting to override the veto. The ordinance as amended at the last council meeting would have required operators to have at least 10 units in their cab fleet and would have required a boost in insurance rates.

In vetoing the measure, Larrison, in a letter to the council said in part, "After serious and careful review of the ordinance it is my opinion that it contains various arbitrary requirements, some of which seriously discriminate against potential persons or organizations wishing to engage in the taxicab business in the City of Terre Haute."

Council President William Ennis said a new taxicab ordinance probably will be submitted.

He said he felt the insurance liability requirement — \$100,000 and \$300,000 — were too high, particularly when Evansville requires only \$25,000 and \$30,000. He also mentioned other Indiana cities with lower insurance requirements.

The "no parking" ordinance for North Thirteenth Street was passed after considerable debate and an amendment. The original measure called for no parking between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. As passed, parking will be prohibited on the street 24 hours a day.

Ratification of the contract between the Board of Works and the transportation utility covered a labor agreement providing wages increases for the transportation employees that became effective Jan. 1.

City Councilman Clyde Nattkemper, who frequently has said there are too many stop signs and stop lights in the city, reported on a survey he had the police traffic department make covering accidents in the city in 1968. He said there were 1814 accidents at marked intersections; 38 at unmarked intersections and 1149 between intersections. He said, "No matter how many signs you put up, you still have accidents."

Appropriation ordinances totalling \$45,000 for installation of a new police communication center at City Hall were turned over to council committees for study until the next meeting.

An ordinance that would allow the city to enter into a contract with Honey Creek Township to provide for a \$10,000 annual fee also was sent to committee for further study.

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Council Approves Money For Parks

JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

All existing roadways at Deming and Rea Parks will be resurfaced and new hard-surfaced parking areas will be constructed this Spring as the result of a \$45,000 appropriation ordinance passed by the Terre Haute City Council that met in regular monthly session Wednesday night.

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Votes Building
Code Change

An ordinance calling for changes in the city's municipal code was passed by a vote of 8 to 0 during a special session of the Terre Haute City Council at City Hall Tuesday night.

The ordinance, General Ordinance No. 7, 1969, provides for the use of non-metallic cable in apartment buildings of not more than two stories. The present ordinance enables builders to use conduit wiring only.

Wiring in the downtown fire zone still must be in conduit and apartments of more than two stories must meet the same requirement.

Confusion was the theme of much of the first part of the meeting, as there were several conflicting versions of which electrical code is in effect at the present time.

Golby Uhler, executive director of the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment, told the council in order to get recertification and comply with the "workable program", the National Electrical Code as established in 1968 should be complied with, instead of trying to change local codes "piece meal."

When Councilman Lawrence Jones asked Uhler if he thought the council should do nothing about the pending ordinance, Uhler said he thought all codes should be adopted. On questioning, he said passage of the ordinance would neither help nor hamper recertification.

HELP (Housewives Effort for Local Progress) submitted a prepared endorsement recommending the council up-date the 1962 edition of the National Electrical Code.

A representative of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People asked the council to adopt the ordinance in order to bring more low-cost housing to the city.

Myrl O. Wilkinson, a local attorney, pointed out the council on July 19, 1969, adopted the 1968 National Electrical Code, with four exceptions, one of which was the use of the non-metallic cable wiring in two-story apartments.

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Council Fails To Pass Pay Raise Measure

Ordinances pertaining to salary increases for members of the police and fire departments were postponed during the regular session of the City Council Thursday night.

An ordinance introduced last month by Councilman John E. Napier calling for salary hikes ranging from \$300 to \$1,000 annually was set aside at the request of Napier.

Councilman Kenneth Mier's ordinance calling for an increase of \$300 in addition to an increase of \$200 in the clothing allotment will come before the council during their regular meeting in June.

The Napier ordinance came to the floor for a vote midway through the meeting. Mier then introduced an amendment very similar to his ordinance.

A dispute arose among the council members as to the validity of Councilman Meir's amendment. Councilman Leonard Kirchner said the amendment was in fact Councilman Meir's Special Ordinance No. 29 that was to be submitted for new business. It was Kirchner's opinion it should not be allowed to be entered as an amendment.

The council then took a five-minute recess. After the recess, City Attorney George B. Tofaute clarified the issue by saying

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anything introduced written out by the author of an amendment could be submitted to the council as an amendment.

After the city attorney explained the rule of order, Councilman Meir withdrew his amendment and Councilman Napier requested and received a postponement of his ordinance until the next regular council meeting June 16.

This means that both ordinances will be scheduled as old business and will be up for a vote by the City Council at this time.

Other action taken by the council included the passing of two appropriation ordinances totaling \$52,000, and two traffic ordinances.

The appropriation ordinances includes \$50,000 for the improvement of the north-south runway at Hulman Field, and \$2,000 to the Terre Haute Police Department to purchase new tires and clothing.

The council delayed action on

a \$30,000 request by the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment until Golby Uhler, executive director, can appear before the group to outline the use of the money. The department's request would have replaced about half of the money the agency would have received if the Vigo County Tax Review Board had not struck a \$.05 levy from the city tax rate last September. It has been designated for engineering projects in the area of Union Hospital if council approval is granted in the future.

The two traffic ordinances include Special Ordinance No. 24, calling for the erection of "yield" signs at First and Sycamore streets, and General Ordinance No. 3 that would permit right turns at properly marked

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intersections after stops at stop signs and signal lights. The City Engineering Department is in the process of determining what intersections will follow this procedure.

New business introduced besides Councilman Mier's pay increase ordinance included an ordinance establishing certain holidays for city employees and the rezoning of property in the 2600 block on the east side of North Seventh Street and property at the northwest Quadrant of Twenty-fifth Street and Lafayette Avenue.

Annual rainfall drops 2.5 million tons of sodium sulphate on the United States.

New Pay Measure Up Before Council

By JOE WAGNER

Star Staff Writer

City Councilmen William Ennis and Lawrence Jones were co-signers of a new police-firemen pay increase ordinance that was presented in the office of City Clerk L. Schuman Hunter shortly after 3 p.m. Wednesday.

At the same time, Ennis, president of the council, issued a

call for a special council meeting for 7 p.m. Thursday at City Hall to discuss the ordinance.

The bill, Special Ordinance No. 31, 1969, has some revisions from Special Ordinance No. 28, as amended, which was passed by the council, vetoed by Mayor Leland Larrison, after which the council upheld the mayor's veto.

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The new ordinance basically includes;

—A \$250 annual salary increase effective Jan. 1, 1970.

—An additional \$80 a year on the second, fourth, sixth, eighth, tenth and twelfth anniversaries of employment, and another \$60 on the 18th anniversary.

—A day off with pay for holidays worked, and an additional day off with pay when the holiday occurs within a vacation period.

—Payment of 50 per cent of group health and hospitalization, either on the single or family plan for all active, temporary or permanent members of the police and fire departments.

At the present time, privates on the fire department and patrolmen on the police department receive \$6,200 after one year's service. Under the new proposal, they would receive \$6,450.

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At a news conference Tuesday, Mayor Larrison said the new ordinance would be submitted, but did not disclose details of it. He said he felt it would partly satisfy everyone concerned—the council, police and firemen and himself.

In May, members of the police and fire wage and scale committees said they would ask for an annual \$875 salary increase, plus a number of fringe benefits, effective Jan. 1, 1970.

Instead, an ordinance calling for a \$425 salary increase, increases in pay for length of service, payment of 90 per cent of group hospitalization by the city and days off for holidays was submitted. It was passed by the council and vetoed by the mayor. The council upheld his veto.

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In July Special Ordinance No. 28 as amended was passed by the council. This called for a \$250 annual increase plus the same benefits. This ordinance, too, was vetoed by the mayor. The council again upheld the mayor's veto after two members of the council changed their votes.

Members of the police department met Monday night and said they wanted the \$250 increase, plus full fringe benefits as set forth in Special Ordinance No. 28 as amended, but made no mention of a strike.

In another meeting Monday night, firemen who are members of Terre Haute Local 758, International Association of Fire Fighters also met. The "A" shift voted by secret ballot and 97 per cent voted to give their officers authority to call a membership meeting for a strike vote. Tuesday night, "B" shift members met and voted 98 per cent in favor of the authorization, should a settlement not be reached.

Council Will Choose Successor To Napier

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council is expected to name a replacement to fill the unexpired term of former Councilman John Napier at a special session scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Thursday in City Hall.

Napier formally resigned his Second District seat June 11, after announcement of his plans to move to St. Louis, Mo., in order to become general manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Three persons have been suggested as possible successors according to Mayor Leland Larri-son, but one of the three has said he will not accept the post if it is offered to him.

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Thurman Miller, a pharma-

cist said business burdens would not allow him to consider taking the post.

His name had been included in the list of possible replacements. The other two are Christian E. Trummel, a Certified Public Accountant and J. Malcolm Boone, a retired interior decorator. Boone is the father of former Councilman Dr. Malcolm Boone.

Council President William Ennis said Wednesday he expects the eight remaining councilmen—five Republicans and three Democrats—to reach a decision on naming a successor at Thursday night's meeting.

Ennis said other names may be submitted at the special meeting. If the councilmen should fail to name someone to fill the vacancy Thursday night they will have to meet again no later than June 29. They have 15 days after receipt of a resignation, as required by law, to fill a vacancy on the council.

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Trummel has been a resident of Terre Haute since 1949, except for a one-year period when he worked outside the state. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, and is a CPA with the Terre Haute firm, Sackrider, Holler, Trummel & Muench.

Trummel and his wife, Janie, live at 37 Ferndale Drive. They have two children, Chris, 16, who attended Wiley High School and will enter Terre Haute South Vigo High School in September, and Sarah, 9, a pupil at Thornton Elementary School.

Trummel, who is 45 years of age, has served as finance

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chairman for the Vigo County Republican Central Committee. He also was a delegate to the Republican State Convention in 1970.

Malcolm Boone, 71, is a registered interior designer. A former resident of Green Bay, Wis., he moved here 10 years ago. He is now retired, but says he considers himself "still very active."

Boone, who resides at 635 S. 32nd St., was instrumental in forming the Association of Interior Designers at Detroit in 1935. During his career as an interior decorator, he was twice chosen to decorate the residence of the president of General Motors in 1927 and in 1936.

He recently served as a Republican election judge in his precinct, of the Eighth Ward. He has never held an elected office.

According to political observers at City Hall, whoever is named to fill the post will have a good chance of being named a member of the Republican ticket for next fall's municipal election.

The Republican Central Committee will name a replacement to run in Napier's place next November.

City Council Studies

\$250 Pay Ordinance

By JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

City councilmen Thursday night met in special session at City Hall and heard the reading in title only of a new pay increase ordinance for police and firemen, then turned it over to the committee-of-the-whole for further study.

The ordinance, the third to be introduced since June, calls for a \$250 annual increase and several fringe benefits.

Special Ordinance No. 31, de-

signed as a compromise measure in the wage dispute between police and firemen and the city for 1970 salaries, was placed in the hands of the council as the committee-of-the-whole.

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General Ordinance No. 5, pertaining to several technical changes in the building code was discussed at length, then action on it was postponed.

During the committee-of-the-whole meeting that followed adjournment of the special meeting five councilmen were present.

Representatives of the wage and scale committees of the police and fire departments requested an amendment to Special Ordinance No. 31.

They asked the city to pay 90 per cent of hospitalization insurance, as designated in Special Ordinance No. 28 as amended. They also asked some changes in pay for length of service.

Otherwise, the two ordinances provided for the same \$250 pay increase and holiday benefits.

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The amendment was not accepted at the meeting.

Leon McKnight, representing firemen of Local 758, International Association of Fire Fighters, said his group had mandated acceptance of NO 28 as amended only.

James Sullivan, president of the local, said beginning soon, firemen will be polled for a strike vote. He said if sanction is given, firemen will strike at 7 p.m., Aug. 2, 1969, unless a settlement is reached.

A large group of firemen, policemen and their families remained for the committee meeting that was open to the public.

Councilmen who remained for the meeting were Warren Henderson, John Napier, Lawrence Jones, William Ennis and Kenneth Mier. Jones served as chairman for the meeting.

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Jones, when asked about the amendment requested, said, "The council is doing the best it can. We're threatened on one side by a veto and on the other by a strike."

The compromise ordinance introduced Thursday night called for:

—The \$250 annual increase.

—An additional \$80 a year on the second, fourth, sixth, eighth, tenth and twelfth anniversaries of employment and another \$60 on the 18th anniversary.

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—Payment of 50 per cent of group health and hospitalization, either on the single or family plan for all active members of the departments.

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Instead, an ordinance calling for a \$425 increase with benefits was passed by the council, then vetoed by Mayor Leland Harrison. The council upheld his veto.

In July, Special Ordinance No. 28 as amended was passed by the council. It, too, was vetoed, and again the council upheld his veto.

In other action at the meeting, the council voted to postpone indefinitely General Ordinance No. 5, pertaining to several technical changes in the city building code.

All councilmen attended the meeting, along with Mayor Harrison, City Attorney George Toffante and City Controller Carl Price.

C. T. Trummel New Councilman

Christian E. Trummel was chosen to fill the unexpired term of former City Councilman John Napier Thursday night at a special session of the Terre Haute City Council.

The City Council also passed a resolution commending Napier for his service while a member of the council. Napier, who formally resigned his Second District Council seat June 11, recently moved to St. Louis, Mo., where he is general manager of the Canteen Corporation.

Trummel, a Certified Public Accountant with the firm of Sackrider, Holler, Trummel and Muench, was elected by a 7-0 vote with Joseph E. Chernay, Councilman, Fourth District, being the only member of the council absent from the special session.

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Commenting on his appointment to the council Trummel said, "I am honored and pleased to be given this opportunity to serve the citizens of Terre Haute. I realize that accepting the appointment to the council means accepting a great deal of responsibility. I will make every effort to fulfill the trust placed in me and will serve to the best of my ability."

Trummel will be sworn in at the next regular session of the



CHRISTIAN E. TRUMMEL

City Council Wednesday, July 21.

He and his wife, Janie live at

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Thurman Miller, a pharmacist, and Malcolm Boone, a registered interior designer and the father of former Councilman Dr. Malcolm Boone, both had been mentioned as possible candidates to fill the vacancy created by Napier's resignation, but Trummel was the only person nominated for the position.

While Trummel has been elected to serve out the remainder of Napier's term, he will not automatically be the Republican candidate for Councilman, Second District, in the fall

election. Napier won the Republican nomination for that position in the May primary and it will be up to the Republican Central Committee to fill that vacancy.

When asked about Trummel's recent election to the City Council and his chances of being chosen to run for the seat in the fall, William E. Ennis, president of the City Council, said, "I think the choice made by the council is an excellent one. He is highly qualified and is an individual dedicated to the betterment of Terre Haute. I believe he would make an excellent candidate for the City Council this fall."

Councilman Calls T.H. City Council Special Meeting

By PAT BARNES

Tribune Staff Writer

William J. Ennis, president of the Terre Haute City Council, Monday issued a call for council members to meet in special session at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday at City Hall.

The council call by Ennis was made for the purpose of considering Special Ordinance No. 31, which pertains to the salary increase for members of the police and fire departments.

The nine-member council met in special session last Thursday and placed the latest ordinance in committee for further study.

Councilman Ennis and Lawrence Jones, both Republicans, are co-sponsors of the bill.

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—Payment of 50 per cent of group health and hospitalization, either on the single or family plan for temporary and permanent members of both departments.

Spokesmen for both department wage committees have voiced opposition to the latest ordinance.

In fact, members of the International Firefighters Union, Local 758, have stated they will strike at 7 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 2.

James Sullivan, president of the local, said that 98 per cent of the city's firefighters have voted to walk off the job.

Wage committees for both departments have battled with the council and Mayor Larrison for some four months in an effort to reach an agreement.

On two previous occasions, the council has voted a salary hike plus fringe benefits for police and firemen. Both ordinances were vetoed by the mayor and both times his vetoes were sustained.

Mayor Larrison, prior to Ennis' call of the council, said he had no intension of calling a special session.

"I'm leaving it entirely up to the city council and its responsibility is on the shoulders of the councilmen and not mine," the mayor said.



NEW CITY COUNCILMAN—Christian Eugene Trummel, right, newly appointed Second District councilman, received the oath of office from L. Schuman Hunter, city clerk, left, at regular monthly meeting of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night. Trummel was appointed to fill the unexpired term of former Councilman John Napier, who resigned the seat in June. William Ennis, council president, looks on. (Photo by House of Photography)

Christian Trummel Takes 7/22/71 Seat On City Council

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council welcomed a new member during the opening minutes of its monthly session at City Hall Wednesday night, then moved on to appropriate funds for various city departments totaling more than \$154,000.

Seven new ordinances also were submitted and assigned to committees. One of those measures would exempt a tract of land located in Fairbanks Park from a city ordinance prohibiting the sale of alcohol in city parks.

L. Schuman Hunter, City Clerk, administered the oath of office to Christian Eugene Trummel, newly appointed second district councilman.

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Trummel was appointed to fill the unexpired term of former Councilman John Napier, who formally resigned the seat in June, after announcing of his plans to move to St. Louis, Mo., for business reasons.

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Eight councilmen were present at Wednesday night's

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session, with Councilman Leonard Kirchner, of the Sixth District, absent.

The council approved an appropriation ordinance, 8-0, which provides \$140,000 for use in the Fruitridge Avenue Improvement Project.

The ordinance set the sum aside from the city's cumulative capital improvement fund in order to offset a deficit created by the failure of the bankrupt Penn Central Transportation Co. to pay its share of the project costs.

Penn Central originally agreed to pay \$140,000 of the construction costs for a planned overpass, but then refused to meet the obligation when it began experiencing financial difficulties.

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Also passed, 8-0, were two additional appropriation ordinances, one to transfer \$12,000 from the General Fund to the Board of Works for business expenses, and the other to transfer \$2,000 from the General Fund to the Legal Department.

The council voted to postpone Special Ordinance No. 32 and 33, until next month. Both are rezoning ordinances. No. 32 would rezone property located at 100 N. Fruitridge Ave., from R-1 single family dwellings to R-3, general residential.

Special Ordinance No. 33 sparked the only audience participation of the meeting. Two residents of the area in question, a church trustee, and four members of HELP (Housewives Effort for Local Progress), were heard.

The ordinance would rezone property at 2301 South 7th St., from R-1 residential to C-2 commercial. Herman L. Kaiser, 2306 S. 7th St., spoke against the measure. "We don't like the idea of commercial things moving into the area," he told the

William Rood, identified as a trustee of the Breden Memorial United Methodist Church, also spoke against the proposed zoning change, and Mrs. Nancy Tarbox, president of HELP, read a prepared statement from the group.

The statement said, in part, "HELP feels strongly that spot zoning in stable well - kept neighborhoods is a disservice to this whole community, where good housing in attractive middle-income neighborhoods is at such a premium."

Among ordinances submitted for the first reading was General Ordinance No. 5, 1971, which would amend a section of the city code which prohibits sale or use of alcoholic beverages in city parks.

Section 917.03 of Chapter 917 of the Municipal Code would be amended by adding a sentence which excludes a section of Fairbanks Park from "the terms of this ordinance pertaining to intoxicating liquor . . ."

First District Councilman William Ennis submitted the ordinance for consideration. It was referred to the parks, playgrounds, and recreation committee for study.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be on Wednesday, August 18.

Police And Firemen T. H. City Council May Get \$250 Boost T. H. Star 7/30/69

By JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council met in special session Tuesday night and passed Special Ordinance No. 31, setting salary increases and fringe benefits for police and firemen to become effective Jan. 1, 1970. The salary increase calls for a \$250 boost.

The vote was 6-2 with Councilmen James Cook, Warren Henderson, Lawrence Jones, Kenneth Mier, Clyde Nattkemper and William Ennis voting in favor and Councilmen Leonard Kirchner and Joseph Chernay voting against the ordinance. Councilman John Napier was not present at the meeting.

An amendment to the ordinance was presented by Kirchner but was rejected by a 6-2 vote. The amendment, almost as long as the original ordinance, would have granted an approximate \$20 a year increase in addition to the \$250 increase incorporated in Special Ordinance 31. It also would have given additional pay for length of service and payment by the city of 66 2-3 of group hospitalization instead of

the 50 per cent in the adopted ordinance.

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Police and firemen earlier had said the ordinance was not acceptable to them. Firemen announced last week they would set a strike deadline of 7 a.m. Aug. 2 unless a suitable agreement was reached. Police said they would not strike.

It was reported Mayor Larri-son had indicated he would sign the special ordinance.

After the meeting, William Ennis, council president, said "This is the largest pay increase to police and firemen in the last 10 years and represents an approximate 7½ per cent increase. I feel this is what the city can afford."

Representatives of the wage and scale committees of the police and fire departments met in a short session after the council meeting, then spoke with the news media.

Jeff Barton, president of the Fraternal Order of Police, said members of his lodge would meet in closed session at 7 p.m. Wednesday. He said a news release would be made after the meeting.

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James Sullivan, president of Terre Haute Local No. 758, International Association of Fire Fighters, said members of the local will strike as scheduled unless the council presents a new and acceptable ordinance, or unless ordered otherwise by international representative of his organization.

He said, "The men are bitter. My personal opinion is that they can take my wage increase and put it on overpasses. The city will need it, because we just picked up another railroad." Reference to another railroad, he said, was the manner in which the council passed the pay ordinance.

Wage and scale committees of the two departments met last April and requested an \$875 annual increase to be effective next year, along with insurance and holiday benefits. The ordinance passed Tuesday night includes payment for seven holidays and an additional day off with pay if the holiday comes within a vacation period.

The request never was incorporated in an ordinance. An ordinance was submitted calling for a \$425 increase, paid holidays and payment of 90 per cent of insurance premiums and an increase in length of service pay.

The council passed the ordinance, the mayor vetoed it, and the council upheld his veto.

Later, Special Ordinance No. 28 was introduced. This was amended to a \$250 increase with fringe benefits, including 90 per cent insurance payment. This ordinance, too, was passed, vetoed by the mayor and the council again sustained his veto.

It was then that Special Ordinance No. 31 was introduced. It was read in title only at a special meeting of the council last Thursday, then placed in the hands of the council as a committee of the whole for study.

City Council OKs Ban On Burning Trash

The Terre Haute City Council Monday night passed Special Ordinance No. 14 that prohibits the burning of garbage or refuse within the city limits of the City of Terre Haute.

An amendment introduced by Councilman Ken Meir, which was passed by a vote of 6-2, postponed the enforcement of the ordinance until Jan. 1, 1971.

It was agreed by council members a meeting be conducted with Gibson Co., which has the city garbage contract,

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Burning of Trash in City Made Illegal by Council

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At its regular meeting Wednesday night the Terre Haute City Council passed by a vote of 6 to 2 Special Ordinance 14, amended, which prohibits the burning of garbage or refuse within the city limits of Terre Haute. Effective date for enforcement will be Jan. 1, 1971. Voting against the ordinance were Councilmen Clyde Nattkemper and Joseph E. Chernay. Councilman Leonard Kirchner was absent.

As introduced by Third District Councilman Ken Mier several months ago, the ordinance would have taken effect immediately. Mier introduced the amendment setting the Jan. 1 date in order to give council members and officials of the Gibson Company, which has the city garbage contract until Dec. 31, 1972, a chance to see if the firm can handle the extra pick-up of garbage and refuse and to find out if there will be an additional charge for this service.

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the council was Special Ordinance No. 35, which rezoned property at 21 S. Fruitridge Ave. from residence to C-1 commerce.

The last ordinance passed by the council was Special Ordinance No. 39. This ordinance rezoned property at 906 N. 6th St. and 512-514 Locust St. from residence to C-1 commerce.

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Dortha Harned, president of HELP (Housewives Effort for Local Progress) asked council members to take their time in considering to pass Special Ordinance No. 42 that would allow the burning of leaves in the city.

She asserted leaf-burning is more harmful to health than that of trash burning. She said leaf-burning will not actually become a problem until the fall of 1971, since the ordinance will not take effect until Jan. 1, 1971.

She added, "We recognize that

the collection of leaves may present a problem to the city but, might we suggest, to the City Council, that Rose Poly Institute, this year, is promoting a study on possible alternate solutions to this problem. HELP asks, therefore, that the City Council allow Special Ordinance No. 14 stand unchanged until this study or one similar to it can be completed."

The Vigo County Health Department announced Wednesday, its concerned with the new city ordinance banning open burning of trash and garbage.

The Health Department suggested the ordinance will not only increase the burden of collection crews, but it will also add a greater responsibility to the general public who must be aware of the increased health problem.

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"Our department considers the ordinance to be important, but the workload will be dou-

bled by its passage, making the health problem greater at pick-up and disposal sites," Paul Welch, administrative assistant of the department said.

"It is important that we use good common sense in the administration and enforcement of the ordinance and we must accept the responsibility of educating the public as to the health benefits that can come from the new law," Welch said.

Welch explained, saying by eliminating burning, as a means of trash and garbage disposal, the ordinance will increase the amount of wastes accumulated by individuals.

"Unless attention is given to proper storage of refuse until it can be collected, unsanitary conditions will multiply," Welch added.

The health department issued three suggestions for the proper storage and handling of garbage. These include: Receptacles for the temporary stor-

age of refuse should be designed especially for the waste to be stored. They should be covered, equipped with handles and not to exceed 30 to 32 gallons to insure quick and efficient collection.

Containers utilized for garbage storage, whether separate or in combination with other refuse, should be of 26 to 30 gauge galvanized metal and equipped with tight fitting lids. Plastic cans are light in weight but are easily gnawed through by rats and are not suitable.

Individuals should replace worn refuse cans and equipment, keep containers and storage areas clean and wrap all garbage in paper.

City Council To Consider Building Code Ordinance

By JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night met in regular session for the last time in 1969. The meeting was conducted in the courtroom at City Hall and nine members were present.

Before any action was taken on two general ordinances, two special ordinances and the new business agenda, it was announced there will be a special meeting at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 23 to consider a general ordinance intended to amend the municipal code relating to electrical requirements for buildings and structures in the city. The ordinance has been before the council for several months.

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The council asked for more time to study a proposed small animal ordinance, which has been in a rough stage for about two months, and requested more time to consider an ordinance for erection of flasher traffic lights at the intersections of Nineteenth and Linden, Buckeye and Ash Streets.

The ordinance for the traffic lights was introduced by Councilman Eugene Chernay at the request of industry in the neighborhood. Chernay said "traffic is heavy on Nineteenth Street at all hours of the day" and pointed out the traffic department had recommended installation of traffic lights.

When it was brought out that the signals cost approximately \$400 each, Councilman John Napier said, "I wonder if the council isn't guilty of trying to use electrical and mechanical devices instead of police to control traffic."

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Before casting his vote, Ennis said he felt it every councilman's duty to find out what the ordinances and resolution concern. He said, "The clerk's office is not a nursemaid for the city council. It will cost more money, which has not been appropriated." He voted against the measure.

City Engineer John T. Byrne was asked for recommendations on the installation. He said he did not want to recommend "one way or the other," but explained other means of traffic control are being considered and he would like to study the problems with the Board of Public Works and Safety.

After much discussion, the council voted to spend more time in considering the measure.

The council voted to rezone 1001 N. 13th St. from residential to neighborhood commercial district and suspended the rules to approve erection of a yield sign on Dillman Street at the intersection with Voorhees Street.

Rules again were suspended to pass resolutions on the new business agenda providing for the transfer of funds from different accounts within the Board of Public Works and the police department. The total transfer of funds amounted to \$1684.

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With work on the agenda completed, Councilman Napier said he had two things he would like to bring up — one impromptu, the other a matter he brought up at the first meeting of the council in 1968.

He told a group of Gerstmeier High School pupils he wanted to welcome their attendance at the meeting, but because of some bickering that had gone on between the council, he deplored the fact they witnessed it.

Relating to the 1968 meeting, he said he asked that each councilman receive a copy of every ordinance and resolution presented, so they could study them before voting on them.

At present, councilmen must study the ordinance in the City Clerk's office where they are kept on file.

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Napier said, "It is absolutely ridiculous that we who are elected as councilmen by the people do not receive copies of ordinances to study." He made a motion each councilman receive copies.

Councilman Lawrence Jones said he did not think it was necessary to receive all proposed measure, but said he could not get to the clerk's office daily to study the proposals.

Councilman Chernay said he thought the motion should be in writing, but William Ennis, president of the council, said the chair ruled and no written document was necessary.

Councilman Clyde Nattkemper termed many of the measures insignificant and too costly to prepare and mail to council members.

However, City Attorney George Tofaute explained that most legislative bodies receive copies of legislation they are to consider.

A vote finally was taken on a motion that councilmen be furnished copies of bills after first reading.

The motion passed by a vote of 7-2.

T.H. CITY COUNCIL
**Redistricting
 Up For Study
 By City Council**

An ordinance to re-district the city's councilmatic districts, the areas from which Terre Haute City Council members are elected, will be introduced by Councilmen Lawrence B. Jones and Kenneth Mier at the regular City Council meeting at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

The ordinance is to comply with a reapportionment ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court ordering all elections be conducted on a one man-one vote basis using the population figures of 1970.

"At the present time our districts are extremely off balance," said Councilman Jones. Jones explained in recent years some districts have increased in population while others have lost. "The way it stands now, District One, which includes parts of Ward Two and Eight, and District Two, which includes parts of Wards Three and Eight, are representing 45 per cent of the total registered voters in the city of Terre Haute."

Jones said at the present time District Two has the most registered voters with 9,049, while District Six has the least registered voters with 3,142. He added with redistricting there will be approximately 6,600 registered voters in each district.

T.H. CITY COUNCIL
**Jones To Seek
 Fourth Term As
 City Councilman**

Lawrence R. Jones, three-term member of the Terre Haute City Council, filed as Republican candidate at-large Wednesday to seek his fourth term on the council.

Jones, a past president of the council, will be seeking his second term as an at-large councilman. In his total of 12 year's service on the council, eight years were spent representing voters in the First District.

"I have served a total of 12 years on the council making decisions that affect all the taxpayers," Jones said, "and I hope to do as well in the future and I am proud to take my record to the voters."

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Jones is a research chemist at Commercial Solvents Corp., where he has been employed for the last 28 years. He was graduated from Wiley High School and Indiana State University.

Besides serving as council president in 1968, Jones was president of the Wabash Senior Citizens Center in 1969 and 1970. He is still a member of the board of directors and has served on the Center's Senior Citizens' Housing Board.

He and his wife, Mary Jane, live at 1539 S. 6th St. They have two children, both married, and a granddaughter.

The Terre Haute Jaycees honored Jones in 1969 with the group's Good Government Award.

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Gov. Edgar D. Whitcomb chose Jones to serve on the Governor's Economy Program, which Jones said saved Indiana taxpayers \$93 million.

Jones has served on the boards of directors of the Community Theater, the Swope Art Gallery and the Exchange Club.

He is a member of the American Chemical Society and the Wabash Geological Society. He is also a member of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church, where he is an ordained Deacon and Elder.

Attorney Robert F. Wallace also filed a candidacy Wednesday. Wallace filed for the Democratic nomination of city judge. He is the first candidate to step forward from either party for city judge.

Wallace was a deputy prosecutor from 1954 to 1959. He also served two years as an assistant city attorney.

He was graduated from Garfield High School and Indiana University. He and his wife, Evelyn, live at 3208 N. 11th St.

Another Democrat, Emmett Rhoderick, 2248 3rd Ave., filed as a city clerk candidate. Two other Democrats, Andy Atelski and Gordon Geckeler, have filed for that nomination.

City Council Votes Budget Of \$4,304,313 for 1972

Meeting in special session Wednesday night to receive an appropriation request for \$60,000 for improvements to Margaret Ave., the Terre Haute City Council then met as a committee of the whole to continue the discussion of the 1972 city budget.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 15 was referred to the Capital Improvements Committee for study, and a report is expected to be made at the regular Council meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 18. The improvement project calls for the resurfacing, re-

designing and widening of Margaret Ave. from 25th St. east to the city limits.

Councilman Lawrence Jones, chairman of the Finance Committee, conducted the budget hearing, which resulted in a recommended cut of \$4,500 from the police department request, for funds for emergency ambulance service. A similar amount was included in the 1971 budget for a contract with the DeLong Ambulance Service, which was closed by the Internal Revenue Service earlier this year.

The proposed city budget now stands at \$4,304,313, about \$165,000 more than last year's. City Controller Carl Price estimated that the tax rate would be about \$3.77 per hundred dollars assessed valuation, based on this total appropriation, which, however, is subject to further cuts by the Vigo County Tax Adjustment Board and the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The 1971 rate is \$3.52. The city's assessed valuation is \$2.3 million less than in 1970, another factor in the higher tax rate.

Much of the \$165,515 increase in the proposed budget can be attributed to wage increases granted to members of the police and fire departments, as well as to all other city employees, excluding elected officials.

The city's 148 firemen and 109 policemen received a \$300 across-the-board salary

increase and an extra \$200 clothing allowance effective Jan. 1, 1972. That \$500 package would amount to \$128,500.

Yearly increases of \$240 to the 32 salaried employees of the city, in addition to increases averaging 10 cents an hour to hourly employees will amount to another \$20,000, according to City Controller Carl Price.

The only other departmental request which sparked any serious question among the councilmen was a request from the

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Department of Redevelopment for \$22,680.

The council, meeting as a committee-of-the-whole a week ago, delayed action on the request submitted by Golby Uhlir, executive director of the department that action came after Uhlir told the councilmen \$15,000 of the total would go for temporary salaries he said might be necessary to carry the department through a projected time period during the last half of 1972 in which there is a possibility that no federal money would be available.

Third District Councilman Kenneth Mier and Sixth District Councilman Leonard Kirchner led the opposition to the request of the Department of Redevelopment, but the eight men attending Wednesday's session finally voted 5-3 to approve Uhlir's request.

Councilman Joseph E. Cherray, of the Fourth District, also voted against the budget proposal. Christian E. Trummel, of the Second District, was not present.

Some other notable increases in the proposed budget include an expected \$75,000 increase in the cost of public utilities \$35,000 of the increase would go for electricity and \$30,000 for water usage.

The police department's budget is up \$69,932 from \$908,280 to \$978,212. This includes the aforementioned salary increases.

Similarly, the fire department's budget request is up \$36,300 over last year from \$1,164,710 to \$1,201,710.

Publication of the proposed city budget is required by law

before Aug. 12, this year, and the council will meet in a special session Aug. 30 to approve the final version.

REFERENCE
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T.H. City Council
TERRE HAUTE TRIB.

Council to Fill Vacancy Tonight

6-24-71

A successor to fill the vacancy of second district city councilman is expected to be named by members of the Terre Haute City Council during a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The meeting will be held in the courtroom at city hall.

Councilman John E. Napier, Republican, who was elected to that post in 1967, submitted his resignation to Council President William J. Ennis on June 11. Napier resigned after he announced his intentions of moving to St. Louis, Mo., to become general manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Although three men have been mentioned as possible successors to fill the vacant post at least one of the three has said he would not accept the appointment.

Mayor Leland Larrison said that Thurman Miller, a registered pharmacist has said he would not accept the post due to his business affairs.

The other two mentioned prospects are Christian E. Trummel, a certified public accountant and J. Malcolm Boone, a retired interior decorator. Boone is the father of former city councilman Dr. Malcolm Boone.

Council President William Ennis said he expects the eight remaining councilmen — six Republicans and two Democrats — to reach a decision on naming a successor at Thursday night's meeting.

Ennis said other names may be submitted at the special meeting. If the councilmen should fail to name someone to fill the vacancy Thursday night they will have to meet again no later than June 29. They have 15

days after receipt of a resignation, as required by law, to fill a vacancy on the council.

Trummel has been a resident of Terre Haute since 1949, except for a one-year period when he worked outside the state. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, and is a CPA with the Terre Haute firm, Sackrider, Holler, Trummel & Muench.

Trummel and his wife, Janie, live at 37 Ferndale Drive. They have two children, Chris, 16, who attended Wiley High School and will enter Terre Haute South Vigo High School in September, and Sarah, 9, a pupil at Thornton Elementary School.

Trummel, who is 45 years of age, has served as finance chairman for the Vigo County Republican Central Committee. He also was a delegate to the Republican State Convention in 1970.

Malcolm Boone, 71, is a registered interior designer. A former resident of Green Bay, Wis., he moved here 10 years ago. He is now retired, but says he considers himself "still very active."

Boone, who resides at 635 S. 32nd St., was instrumental in forming the Association of Interior Designers at Detroit in 1935. During his career as an interior decorator, he was twice chosen to decorate the residence of the president of General Motors in 1927 and in 1936.

He recently served as a Republican election judge in his precinct, of the Eighth Ward. He has never held an elected office.

According to political observers at City Hall, whoever is named to fill the post will have a good chance of being named a member of the Republican ticket for next fall's municipal election.

The Republican Central Committee will name a replacement to run in Napier's place next November.

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Terre Haute
City Council

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**City Council
Will Fill
Napier's Seat**

TERRE HAUTE TRIB.

The Terre Haute City Council will meet in special session Thursday, June 24, to select a replacement for Councilman John E. Napier, Republican, Second District, who submitted his resignation.

Mayor Leland Larrison said Thursday there are three prospective candidates for the vacant post. They include Thurman Miller, Gene Trummel and Malcolm Boone, father of former Councilman Malcolm Boone.

Larrison said that by law the council must meet within 15 days from the resignation of Napier to fill the vacant councilman post.

Napier submitted his resignation after being transferred to St. Louis to become manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Napier was successful in winning re-nomination for Second District councilman office in the May primary election.

A replacement for Napier in the November election will be named by County Republican Chairman Thomas Hicks.

Community Affairs Div

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Police, Fireman Proposal Aired

Discussion of an ordinance pertaining to pay increases and fringe benefits for members of the police and fire departments was presented Wednesday night during a committee-of-the-whole meeting of the Terre Haute City Council.

The committee-of-the-whole meeting followed a special council session called to approve a resolution endorsing the actions of a three-man Terre Haute Economic Development Commission bringing new industry to the community. The resolution was passed by the council by a vote of 9-0. Following the vote the special meeting was adjourned and the committee-of-the-whole went into session.

Councilman John E. Napier (R-2nd district) who submitted the pay ordinance for policemen and firemen served as chairman of the meeting.

Council members took no action on the pay ordinance but did ask for public participation. A large number of policemen, firemen and their families were in attendance.

Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) President Capt. James Swift addressed the council members on behalf of the police department while Jim Brown, president of the firemen's local wage committee served as a spokesman for the fire department.

Remarks of the two were supported by comments from Dr. Woodrow Creason, Indiana State University professor of economics.

Assistant City Attorney Thomas Spelman made a plea for a "rational, logical conclusion, brought about by gentlemen who are capable of compromise."

Spelman said he was speaking as a citizen and not in his capacity as an employee of the city, nor as a member of any political party.

Discussion of a similar proposal last year ended in the council's taking no action to increase salaries in the two departments.

Swift read figures showing Terre Haute's wage scale for policemen to be below most

other major Indiana cities.

Dr. Creason said the 1969 average per capita cost of police protection for all U.S. cities having populations of 50,000 to 100,000 was 15.90, while Terre Haute's per capita percentage cost of protection stood at 12.29. Dr. Creason said the cost of local fire protection was 13.62 per cent.

Dr. Creason said the cost of living has increased by slightly more than 12 per cent since 1969, the last time Terre Haute policemen received an increase.

This, according to Dr. Creason, means policemen in the city are actually making less than they were two years ago. He said the \$6,450 patrolman's salary is equivalent to about \$5,676 today.

Mayor Leland Larrison has said he will veto the ordinance

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calling for higher salaries if it passes the City Council without substantial cuts in the proposed wage increases.

Larrison said the city could not afford to assume the financial burden required by the present proposal during a single fiscal year.

City Controller Carl Price said Wednesday night the proposed ordinance would cost the city an estimated \$306,000 in added taxes to be raised if it is approved without amendment.

Larrison has said he would favor what he termed "a more reasonable increase with the anticipation of additional reasonable raises each year."

Councilman Ennis suggested a similar measure calling for a multi-year pay package with guaranteed increases over a period of two or three years.

Swift said the FOP would be opposed to such a plan, saying he believed it wrong to mandate future councils to spend money. He also said he could not speak for the FOP beyond the one-year tenure of his office.

The salary schedule proposed by the ordinance calls for beginning firemen and policemen with less than one year's serv-

ice to remain at the present yearly salary of \$6,270.

But the ordinance calls for firemen with the rank of private and policemen with the rank of patrolmen, having completed one year's service to receive an annual salary of \$7,000 as compared to the current \$6,450.

Other fire department increases include: lieutenants, \$7,400, up from the present \$6,750; captains, \$7,740, up from \$6,990; assistant chief, \$8,410, up from \$7,410; assistant chief of the fire alarm system, \$7,740, up from \$7,050, and mechanic, \$7,700, up from \$7,050.

Salary proposals for other police department rankings include: sergeant, \$7,400, up from \$6,750; lieutenant, \$7,740, up from \$6,990; captain, \$8,310, up from \$7,410, and chief of detectives, \$8,650, up from \$7,650.

The measure also calls for all employees of the two departments, regardless of rank, to receive additional compensation based upon their years of service.

On the second anniversary of employment, each man would receive an additional \$200 a year. On the fourth anniversary of his employment, he would receive an additional \$170, and on the sixth another \$170 a year.

Those completing 18 years' service would receive an added compensation for 18 or more years' service to a maximum of \$600 a year over the base wage for his classification.

An additional provision of the ordinance would compensate police and fire department members who work on recognized holidays.

Further discussion of the ordinance is expected at the next meeting of the council, scheduled for Thursday, May 20. The council regularly meets on the third Wednesday of each month, but voted to postpone the meeting until Thursday in order to enable councilmen to attend the annual meeting of the Vigo Chapter of the Wabash Valley Association slated for Wednesday.

INDIANA ROOM

REFERENCE
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Council Takes Up Pay Measure

Jim Swift, president of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), said Thursday that members of his organization are "not pleased" with an ordinance which will be submitted Thursday night during the regular session of the City Council. The council meeting will be at 8 p.m. at city hall.

The ordinance (Special Ordinance No. 29) calls for an annual increase for members of the police and fire departments of \$300 in addition to receiving an increase of \$200 in clothing allotment. Presently firemen and police receive \$200 a year in clothing allowance.

Swift, who is a captain with the police department and served as a lobbyist as the last session of the Indiana General Assembly for the state FOP, said the local lodge voted unanimously Wednesday night to support the wage committee. Swift said the wage committee will meet prior to tonight's council meeting at city hall.

Mayor Leland Larrison has endorsed the ordinance which is sponsored by Councilman Kenneth Mier.

The mayor said, "it's a very

good ordinance. It goes right along with my thinking in granting what I call a very substantial pay raise."

Councilman John Napier last month introduced an ordinance before the council which called for pay increases ranging from \$550 to \$1,000 annually depending on the rank of the man on each department.

Napier's ordinance is scheduled for second reading Thursday night and could be acted upon.

Mayor Larrison has said that if Napier's ordinance is passed by the council he would veto the measure.

Larrison has been under fire from some quarters, with suggestions he is more concerned with votes than with the public welfare, and is thus attempting to make the issue a political football.

Larrison countered the criticism during an interview Wednesday by challenging any policeman or fireman who is not making more money now than he was before going to work for the city to speak up.

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Haute with Muncie or Anderson," he said, "because they have more industry. The tax rate is high enough here already."

The Terre Haute Fraternal Order of Police, which has strongly supported the Napier proposal, has consistently criticized the local pay scale by comparing it with other major Indiana cities.

Larrison said the city could not afford to assume the financial burden required by the present proposal during a single fiscal year.

According to City Controller Carl Price, the proposed pay increase submitted by Napier would cost the city more than \$300,000 in added taxes be raised, while Mier's proposal would cost the city about \$158,000.

At present, the city payroll for firemen stands at about \$1,003,348.00 and for policemen at slightly more than \$726,000. This is in addition to \$745,135.38 paid out last year to recipients of police and fire department pensions.

FOP members point out, however, they pay three per cent of their monthly earnings into the pension fund, which is not paid to active members of the police and fire departments, but to retirees, widows and dependents.

Price said the added tax revenue needed to fund any such wage rise would probably come from one of two sources, money pared from the budgets of other departments, or an increase in local property taxes.

Terre Haute residents paid \$3.52 for each \$100 assessed valuation in 1970. Price said the Mier proposal would probably amount to an added 15 cents on the dollar, while the Napier proposal could be expected to cost taxpayers about 30 cents more.

Napier, however, has held out for the higher wage proposal, saying he believes the city could cut an estimated \$150,000 from other departmental budgets.

Larrison said he would favor Mier's proposal, "with the anticipation of granting additional reasonable raises each year."

Councilman William Ennis has suggested a multi-year pay package with guaranteed increases over a period of two or three years.

The FOP opposes such a plan, saying it is wrong to mandate future city councils to spend money.

The salary schedules proposed by both measures call for beginning firemen and policemen with less than one year's service to remain at the present yearly salary of \$6,270.

But Napier's ordinance (Special Ordinance No. 25) calls for firemen with the rank of private and policemen with the rank of patrolmen, having completed one year's service to receive an annual salary of \$7,000, \$6,450. Mier's ordinance would raise the second year men to \$6,750.

The only other major difference in the two proposals lies in the area of group insurance coverage. The Napier proposal would mandate the city to pay 90 per cent of the annual premium for group health and hospitalization insurance, while Mier's ordinance would pay for 50 per cent of the annual premium.

Both measures also call for employees of the two departments, regardless of rank, to receive additional compensation based upon their years of service.

The council is expected to devote most of the meeting to discussion of the two proposals, with the only other major item of business scheduled being a proposal to raise the number of recognized holidays for city employees from seven to nine.

The council regularly meets on the third Wednesday of each month, but voted last week to postpone the meeting until Thursday in order to enable councilmen to attend the annual meeting Wednesday night of the Vigo Chapter of the Wabash Valley Association.

Below is a schedule comparing present police and firemen's wages with those proposed by Napier and Mier:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

	Present	Napier	Mier
Private	\$6,450	\$7,000	\$6,750
Lieutenant	6,750	7,400	7,050
Captain	6,990	7,740	7,290
Asst. Chief	7,410	8,410	7,710
Chief of Alarm			
System	7,410	8,410	7,710
Mechanic	7,050	7,700	7,350

POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Present	Napier	Mier
Patrolman	\$6,450	\$7,000	\$6,750
Sergeant	6,750	7,400	7,050
Lieutenant	6,990	7,740	7,290
Captain	7,410	8,410	7,710
Chief of Det.	7,650	8,650	7,950

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THE TRIBUNE, TERRE HAUTE, IND

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**City Council
Will Fill
Napier's Seat**

TERRE HAUTE TRIB.

The Terre Haute City Council will meet in special session Thursday, June 24, to select a replacement for Councilman John E. Napier, Republican, Second District, who submitted his resignation.

Mayor Leland Larrison said Thursday there are three prospective candidates for the vacant post. They include Thurman Miller, Gene Trummel and Malcolm Boone, father of former Councilman Malcolm Boone.

Larrison said that by law the council must meet within 15 days from the resignation of Napier to fill the vacant councilman post.

Napier submitted his resignation after being transferred to St. Louis to become manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Napier was successful in winning re-nomination for Second District councilman office in the May primary election.

A replacement for Napier in the November election will be named by County Republican Chairman Thomas Hicks.

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TERRE HAUTE TRIB.

Council to Fill Vacancy Tonight

6-24-71

A successor to fill the vacancy of second district city councilman is expected to be named by members of the Terre Haute City Council during a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The meeting will be held in the courtroom at city hall.

Councilman John E. Napier, Republican, who was elected to that post in 1967, submitted his resignation to Council President William J. Ennis on June 11. Napier resigned after he announced his intentions of moving to St. Louis, Mo., to become general manager of the Canteen Corp. there.

Although three men have been mentioned as possible successors to fill the vacant post at least one of the three has said he would not accept the appointment.

Mayor Leland Larrison said that Thurman Miller, a registered pharmacist has said he would not accept the post due to his business affairs.

The other two mentioned prospects are Christian E. Trummel, a certified public accountant and J. Malcolm Boone, a retired interior decorator. Boone is the father of former city councilman Dr. Malcolm Boone.

Council President William Ennis said he expects the eight remaining councilmen — six Republicans and two Democrats — to reach a decision on naming a successor at Thursday night's meeting.

Ennis said other names may be submitted at the special meeting. If the councilmen should fail to name someone to fill the vacancy Thursday night they will have to meet again no later than June 29. They have 15

days after receipt of a resignation, as required by law, to fill a vacancy on the council.

Trummel has been a resident of Terre Haute since 1949, except for a one-year period when he worked outside the state. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois, and is a CPA with the Terre Haute firm, Sackrider, Holler, Trummel & Muench.

Trummel and his wife, Janie, live at 37 Ferndale Drive. They have two children, Chris, 16, who attended Wiley High School and will enter Terre Haute South Vigo High School in September, and Sarah, 9, a pupil at Thornton Elementary School.

Trummel, who is 45 years of age, has served as finance chairman for the Vigo County Republican Central Committee. He also was a delegate to the Republican State Convention in 1970.

Malcolm Boone, 71, is a registered interior designer. A former resident of Green Bay, Wis., he moved here 10 years ago. He is now retired, but says he considers himself "still very active."

Boone, who resides at 635 S. 32nd St., was instrumental in forming the Association of Interior Designers at Detroit in 1935. During his career as an interior decorator, he was twice chosen to decorate the residence of the president of General Motors in 1927 and in 1936.

He recently served as a Republican election judge in his precinct, of the Eighth Ward. He has never held an elected office.

According to political observers at City Hall, whoever is named to fill the post will have a good chance of being named a member of the Republican ticket for next fall's municipal election.

The Republican Central Committee will name a replacement to run in Napier's place next November.

Councilman Napier Will Give Up Seat

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

City Councilman John E. Napier said Monday he plans to resign soon from the City Council because he is moving from the city. Napier, a Republican, serves the Second District.

Napier who is vice president of the Canteen Corp. here, will become general manager of the Canteen Corp. at St. Louis, Mo. He also will be responsible for Canteen distribution at Alton, Ill., and Paducah, Ky.

Napier said he will leave Terre Haute within the next six weeks, but he has not made his resignation from the council official.

Napier's seat is expected to be filled by someone appointed by the present City Council, which is made up of seven Republicans and two Democrats. The unexpired term will run through the end of 1971.

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Napier also was slated to run for re-election on the Republican ticket in the fall election, having beaten Rex Lawrence in the May primary for the nomination.

Tom Hicks, Vigo County Republican Chairman, said the Central Committee will name a replacement candidate before the November election.

Napier, who has lived in Terre Haute since his early

childhood, expressed his regret at having to leave. "I am leaving Terre Haute with a lot of regret," he said, "but I cannot turn my back on the opportunity."

He said he will retain his business connections with the Canteen Corp. here. He is part owner in the local company.

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Napier was first elected to the City Council in the Novem-

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ber, 1967 general election. He has been a leading advocate of higher pay and fringe benefits for Terre Haute's police and firemen.

The City Council delayed action earlier in the month on an ordinance sponsored by Napier which would increase police and firemen's salaries \$550 to \$1,000 a year, depending upon their rank.

A similar bill sponsored by Napier was defeated last year. The city administration has opposed the measure, saying the city cannot afford the added financial burden.

When asked what he thought might happen to the bill now that he is leaving, Napier said he hopes his absence will not have any effect upon the measure.

The council is also considering a compromise ordinance which would grant a \$500 across-the-board raise to police and firemen.

Napier's seat will be the second vacancy to be filled by ap-

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Police-Firemen Pay Remains Unresolved

By GLENN WILLIAMS
Star Staff Writer

Action calling for an annual salary increase in both city police and fire departments ranging from \$550 to \$1,000, depending on the rank of department members, was postponed during Thursday night's meeting of the Terre Haute City Council.

Special Ordinance No. 25, introduced by Councilman John Napier in April, reached the

floor for a vote midway through the council's two and one-half hour session. Immediately Councilman Kenneth Meir introduced an amendment, very similar to an ordinance he was going to submit as new business to the council, calling for a \$300 across-the-board pay increase for both police and fire departments and a \$200 increase in clothing allowance. The measure offered by Meir represented a substantial decrease of Councilman Napier's ordinance.

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A dispute arose among the council members as to the validity of Councilman Meir's amendment. Councilman Leonard Kirchner said the amendment was in fact Councilman Meir's Special Ordinance No. 29 that was to be submitted for new business. It was Kirchner's opinion it should not be allowed to be entered as an amendment.

The council then took a five-minute recess. After the recess, City Attorney George B. Tofaute clarified the issue by saying anything introduced written out by the author of an amendment could be submitted to the council as an amendment.

After the city attorney explained the rule of order, Councilman Meir withdrew his amendment and Councilman Napier requested and received a postponement of his ordinance.

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until the next regular council meeting June 16.

This means that both ordinances will be scheduled as old business and will be up for a vote by the City Council at this time.

Other action taken by the council included the passing of three appropriation ordinances totaling \$82,000, and two traffic ordinances.

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The appropriation ordinances includes \$50,000 for the improvement of the north-south runway at Hulman Field, \$30,000 for the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment for engineering projects in the area of Union Hospital, and \$2,000 to the Terre Haute Police Department to purchase new tires and clothing.

The \$30,000 for the Terre Haute Department of Redevelopment in reality replaces about half of the money the agency would have received if the Vigo County Tax Review Board had not struck a \$.05 levy off the city tax rate last September.

The two traffic ordinances include Special Ordinance No. 24, calling for the erection of "yield" signs at First and Sycamore streets, and General Ordinance No. 3 that would permit right turns at properly marked intersections after stops at stop signs and signal lights. The City Engineering Department is in the process of determining what intersections will follow this procedure.

New business introduced besides Councilman Meir's pay increase ordinance included an ordinance establishing certain holidays for city employees and the rezoning of property in the 2600 block on the east side of North Seventh Street and property at the northwest Quadrant of Twenty-fifth Street and Lafayette Avenue.

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Community Affairs

Terre Haute City Council City Council Approves Two Funds Transfers

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night passed three measures — all dealing with the appropriation or transfer of funds—and put into the hands of various committees

several ordinances that were introduced for first reading.

The city judge's office received an appropriation of \$1,000 to meet the need of paying special judges. It was explained by City Controller Carl Price that persons appearing in City Court have the right to ask for a change of judges if they feel they will not receive a fair hearing under the regular judge.

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Price said the money will be used to pay fees already outstanding and to provide funds for the rest of 1969 should more special judges be called.

City Attorney George Tofaute explained special judges receive a \$10 fee for every docket entry they make.

Two resolutions pertaining to the fire department were passed. Approval of an \$16,000 transfer from Account No. 531-Pension (Retired) to Account No. 532-Pensions Becoming Eligible was granted, and \$200 was transferred from one fire department to another to purchase equipment.

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Contrary to some speculation prior to the meeting, ordinances concerning the keeping of small animals in the city and the granting of cable television

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THE WEATHER

Jim Crow says:

After reading the cautiously worded long range forecast, we most certainly don't know how to dress for the weather.

Forecast by the United States Weather Bureau for Thursday and Friday:

Terre Haute and vicinity — Mostly cloudy, windy and continued cold Thursday with snow flurries likely and possible accumulation of one to two inches, high 27-32. Cloudy and windy Thursday night with snow flurries ending, 15-20. Partly cloudy and a little warmer Friday, high 32-37. Precipitation probability: 50 per cent.

Indiana: Mostly cloudy with chance of snow flurries north, partly sunny south and not quite as cold Thursday. Partly cloudy over the state Thursday night and Friday with chance of snow flurries continuing near Lake Michigan.

Illinois: Thursday partly cloudy with chance of a few snow flurries north. Partly cloudy and a little colder Thursday night. Friday partly sunny and rather cold. High Thursday 28-35 north, 35-43 south.

Wabash River stage 9.1 (rising).

Sun rises 7:39 a.m.; sets 5:31 p.m.

Precipitation in 24 hours ending 6 p.m. yesterday: .53 inches. Total amount since Jan. 1, 42.0 inches. Accumulated departure from normal (excess) 6.2 inches.

(Dial 259-1555 for State Police Road conditions).



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franchises were turned over to committees for further study.

A resolution providing for an additional \$2,500 compensation for the City Judge was withdrawn from the agenda. It had been proposed the money be appropriated from the Sewage Disposal Utility funds.

Councilmen who attended the meeting were Kenneth Mier, Eugene Chernay, John Napier, William Ennis, Warren Henderson, Clyde Nattkemper and Leonard Kirchner.

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City Council Studies Police - Firemen Pay

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

About 35 members of the Terre Haute police and fire departments—together with a sparse accompaniment of wives and other interested citizens—gathered at City Hall Wednesday night to hear the City Council discuss a proposed wage increase for the city's police and firemen.

The council met as a committee-of-the-whole after a special

session at 7:30 p.m. in the city Court chambers.

The council approved a resolution, 9-0, endorsing the actions of the three-man Terre Haute Economic Development Commission in bringing new industry to Terre Haute.

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Approval of the city council was necessary to empower the commission to enter into negotiations with prospective industries planning to lease property in the city.

Council President William Ennis adjourned the special session and the councilmen reconvened as a committee to discuss the wage proposal, which was submitted by Councilman John Napier at the council's regular April meeting.

The group took no formal action on the measure, but discussed the proposals at length and invited interested members of the audience to comment at will. Napier acted as chairman of the committee session.

James Swift, president of the local Fraternal Order of Police, addressed the group on behalf of the city's policeman, and Jim Brown, president of the firemen's local wage committee, spoke for the fire department members.

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Remarks of the two were supported by comments from Dr.

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Woodrow Creason, Indiana State University professor of economics.

Assistant City Attorney Thomas Spelman made a plea for a "rational, logical conclusion, brought about by gentlemen who are capable of compromise."

Spelman said he was speaking as a citizen and not in his capacity as an employee of the city, nor as a member of any political party.

Discussion of a similar proposal last year ended in the council's taking no action to increase salaries in the two departments.

Swift read figures showing Terre Haute's wage scale for policemen to be below most other major Indiana cities.

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Dr. Creason said the 1969 average per capita cost of police protection for all U.S.

cities having populations of 50,000 to 100,000 was 15.90, while Terre Haute's per capita percentage cost of protection stood at 12.29. Dr. Creason said the cost of local fire protection was 13.62 per cent.

Dr. Creason said the cost of living has increased by slightly more than 12 per cent since 1969, the last time Terre Haute policemen received an increase.

This, according to Dr. Creason, means policemen in the city are actually making less than they were two years ago. He said the \$6,450 patrolman's salary is equivalent to about \$5,676 today.

Mayor Leland Larrison has said he will veto the ordinance calling for higher salaries if it passes the City Council without substantial cuts in the proposed wage increases.

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Larrison said the city could not afford to assume the financial burden required by the present proposal during a single fiscal year.

City Controller Carl Price said Wednesday night the proposed ordinance would cost the city an estimated \$306,000 in added taxes to be raised if it is approved without amendment.

Larrison has said he would favor what he termed "a more reasonable increase with the

anticipation of additional reasonable raises each year."

Councilman Ennis suggested a similar measure calling for a multi-year pay package with guaranteed increases over a period of two or three years.

Swift said the FOP would be opposed to such a plan, saying he believed it wrong to mandate future councils to spend money. He also said he could not speak for the FOP beyond the one-year tenure of his office.

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The salary schedule proposed by the ordinance calls for beginning firemen and policemen with less than one year's service to remain at the present yearly salary of \$6,270.

But the ordinance calls for firemen with the rank of private and policemen with the rank of patrolmen, having completed one year's service to receive an annual salary of \$7,000 as compared to the current \$6,450.

Other fire department increases include: lieutenants, \$7,400, up from the present \$6,750; captains, \$7,740, up from \$6,990; assistant chief, \$8,410, up from \$7,410; assistant chief of the fire alarm system, \$7,740, up from \$7,050, and mechanic, \$7,700, up from \$7,050.

Salary proposals for other police department rankings include: sergeant, \$7,400, up from

\$6,750; lieutenant, \$7,740, up from \$6,990; captain, \$8,310, up from \$7,410, and chief of detectives, \$8,650, up from \$7,650.

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The measure also calls for all employees of the two departments, regardless of rank, to receive additional compensation based upon their years of service.

On the second anniversary of employment, each man would receive an additional \$200 a year. On the fourth anniversary of his employment, he would receive an additional \$170, and on the sixth another \$170 a year.

Those completing 18 years' service would receive an added compensation for 18 or more years' service to a maximum of \$600 a year over the base wage for his classification.

An additional provision of the ordinance would compensate police and fire department members who work on recognized holidays.

Further discussion of the ordinance is expected at the next meeting of the council, scheduled for Thursday, May 20. The council regularly meets on the third Wednesday of each month, but voted to postpone the meeting until Thursday in order to enable councilmen to attend the annual meeting of the Vigo Chapter of the Wabash Valley Association slated for Wednesday.

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Council Votes Sale of Land

T. H. Trib 4/10/71

Final approval of the sale of 90 acres of land at the former site of the Paul Cox Airport was given by members of the City Council Friday afternoon.

The council meeting in special session suspended the rules and voted 8-0 to allow the purchase by Robert Dora, a Vincennes land developer.

Dora had submitted a bid of \$514,415.09 to the Board of Works and Safety last month.

Vigo County Public Library

Redistricting Ordinance

Gets City Council OK

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

An ordinance creating new councilmanic districts for Terre Haute was passed by the City Council which met in special session Monday night. The vote was 7 to 1, with Councilman James Cook absent.

The lone dissenter on the vote was Councilman John E. Napier of the Second District.

Mayor Leland Larrison signed the ordinance immediately after it was passed.

The passage came in the nick of time as Tuesday, Feb. 23, is the first day for candidates to file for city offices. The city primary election will be Tuesday, May 4.

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The redistricting ordinance, introduced by Councilmen Lawrence R. Jones and Kenneth Mier, calls for providing "Equality in representation under the rule of 'one man-one vote' using the population figures of 1970." A U.S. Supreme Court decision makes such redistricting mandatory.

The Second and Sixth Districts were among those cited by Jones and Mier as having disproportionate voting populations. The Second District had about 9,000 registered voters, and the Sixth District had slightly more than 3,000.

Under the new ordinance, there will be approximately 6,681 voters in each of the six districts. "As the plan stands," said Jones, "we're within 1.4 per cent of that figure in each district. That represents a difference of 80 or less voters."

During discussion preceeding the vote, Councilman Napier voiced his objection to the plan.

"In my opinion the ordinance before us does not comply with the provisions set up by the Supreme Court," he said.

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Napier said he opposed the measure because it is based upon the number of registered voters in the districts rather than upon 1970 census figures. Assistant City Attorney, Gerald H. McGlone said that he believed the ordinance was sufficient to meet the "one man-one vote" requirement.

Three Democrats have announced they will seek their party's nomination as mayor. They are William Brighton, Vigo County clerk; George Schoffstall, a former city po-

liceman, and Ralph Tucker, a former mayor.

Only one person has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination of City Clerk; Andy Atelski, Harrison Township justice of the peace. Posters promoting the candidacy of Gordon K. Geckeler, a Democratic precinct committeeman, are popping up in the city, but he has made no official announcement about his intentions.

The new districts now in effect are:

FIRST DISTRICT

The First Councilmanic Dis-

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tract shall be bounded on the west by the low water mark of the east side of the Wabash River, from centerline of Washington Avenue to the south line of Harrison Township; on the south by the south line of Harrison Township, from the low water mark of the east side of the Wabash River to the east line of Harrison Township; on the east by the east line of Harrison Township from the south line of Harrison Township to the centerline of Hulman Street; on the north by the centerline of Washington Avenue from the low water mark on the east side of the Wabash River to the centerline of 9th Street; on the centerline of 9th Street from the centerline of Washington Avenue to the centerline of Seabury Street, on the centerline of Seabury Street from the centerline of 9th Street to the centerline of 13th Street, on the centerline of 13th Street from Seabury to Hulman Street, on the centerline of Hulman Street from 13th Street to the east line of Harrison Township; also to include the "Paul Cox Airport" property; also to include a tract 40 x 137 feet at the southeast corner of 6th Street and Margaret Avenue; and also to include a tract 412.5 feet by 521.5 feet at the southwest corner of 7th Street and Margaret Avenue; also, to include a tract approximately 785 feet by 217.2 feet in the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 4-11-9; also to include the Terre Haute Motel (Albert Pick Company property in 9-11-9; also to include Lots 63 and 64 in Myers Second Subdivision; also to include Rea Park property on the east side of South 7th Street in Section 3-11-9, and also to include the former Manor House property which lies east and south of the intersection of 13th Street and Margaret Avenue; also to include Lots 227, 228 and 229 in Ardmore Subdivision.

The First Councilmanic District contains within its boundaries the precincts which have been heretofore laid out and known as Precincts E, F, G and H of the First Ward, G, H, I and J of the Second Ward, and F, H and L of the Eighth Ward.

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SECOND DISTRICT.

The Second Councilmanic District shall be bounded on the west by the centerline of 13th Street from the centerline of Poplar Street to the centerline of Hulman Street; on the south by the centerline of Hulman Street from the centerline of 13th Street to the west line of Harrison Township; on the east by the east line of Harrison Township from the centerline of Poplar Street; on the north by the centerline of Poplar Street from the centerline of 13th Street to the east line of Harrison Township. Beginning at the intersection of Beecher Road (Kean Lane) and Poplar Street and running thence east on Poplar Street to include Dobbs Park, Lincolnshire a Terre Vista thence east on Poplar Street to include Hulman Airport, excepting therefrom the following tract: beginning at a point 1393.35 feet north of the southeast corner of Section 28-12-8; thence northwest 1206.49 feet; thence northeast 1175.33 feet to a point on the east line of Section 28; thence south 1649.51 feet to the point of beginning, said

exception being known as The Indiana National Guard area.

The Second Councilmanic District contains within its boundaries the precincts which have been heretofore laid out and known as Precincts D, E, F, G, H, I and J of the Third Ward, and E, J and M of the Eighth Ward.

THIRD DISTRICT.

The Third Councilmanic District shall be bounded on the north by the north line of Harrison Township from 13th Street centerline to the east line of Harrison Township; on the east by the east line of Harrison Township from the north line of Harrison Township to the centerline of Poplar Street; on the south by the centerline of Poplar Street from the east line of Harrison Township to the centerline of 17th Street; on the west by the centerline of 17th Street from the centerline of Poplar Street to the centerline of Wabash Avenue, on the centerline of Wabash Avenue from the centerline of 17th Street to the centerline of 19th Street, on the centerline of 19th Street from Wabash Avenue to Locust Street, on the centerline of Locust Street from the centerline of 19th Street to Kester Avenue, on the centerline of Kester Avenue from Locust Street to Maple Avenue, on the centerline of Maple Avenue from Kester Avenue to the west property line of Duane Avenue and the east property line of the New York Central Railroad; thence north-

east along east property line of New York Central Railroad 1,900 feet; thence west to the east property line of the C & E I Railroad and the N/S section line between sections 10 and 11, T12N, R9W 2,100 feet; thence in a northeasterly direction along the east property line of the C & E I Railroad to the centerline of Fort Harrison Road, on the centerline of Fort Harrison Road from the C & E I property line to the centerline of 13th Street, on the centerline of 13th Street from the centerline of Fort Harrison Road to the north line of Harrison Township. Also to include Roberts Tavern property in North Terre Haute, and a tract 400 feet by 395 feet known as Woodridge Motel property in northwest quarter of Section 19-12-8.

The Third Councilmanic District contains within its boundaries the precincts which have been heretofore laid out and known as Precincts C, and K of The Third Ward, E, F, and G of the Fourth Ward and C, D, G, I, and K of the Eighth Ward.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

The Fourth Councilmanic District shall be bounded on the north by the centerline of Fort Harrison Road from 13th Street to the east right-of-way line of C&EI Railroad; on the west by the centerline of 13th Street from the centerline of Fort Harrison Road to the centerline of Delaware Avenue, on the centerline of Delaware Avenue from the centerline of 13th Street to the centerline of 14th Street, on the centerline of 14th Street from the centerline of Delaware Avenue to the centerline of Grand Avenue, on the centerline of Grand Avenue from 14th Street to the centerline of 11th Street, on the centerline of 11th Street from Grand Avenue to the centerline of Buckeye Street, on the centerline of Buckeye Street from the centerline of 11th Street to the centerline of 12th Street, on the centerline of 12th Street from

the centerline of Buckeye Street to the centerline of 8th Avenue, on the centerline of 8th Avenue from the centerline of 11th Street to the centerline of 12th Street, on the centerline of 11th Street from the centerline of 8th Avenue to the centerline of 3rd Avenue; on the south by the centerline of 3rd Avenue from the centerline of 11th Street to the centerline of 19th Street, on the centerline of 19th Street from the centerline of 3rd Avenue to the centerline of Locust Street, on the centerline of Locust Street from the centerline of 19th Street to the centerline of Kester Avenue on the east by the centerline of Kester Avenue from Locust Street to Maple Avenue centerline, on the centerline of Maple Avenue from Kester Avenue to the west property line of Duane Avenue and the east property line of the New York Central Railroad; thence northeast along east property line of New York Central Railroad 1900 feet; thence west to the east property line of the C&EI Railroad and the N/S section line between sections 10 and 11, T12N, R9W 2100 feet, thence in a northeasterly direction along the east property line of the C&EI Railroad to the centerline of Fort Harrison.

The Fourth Councilmanic District contains within its boundaries the precincts which have been heretofore laid out and known as Precincts B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J, and K of the Seventh Ward and Precinct B of the Eighth Ward.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

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City Council TERRE HAUTE, IND. Begins Study Of Remapping

General Ordinance No. 1, 1971, calling for the redistricting of six city councilmanic districts was introduced Wednesday night at the regular session of the City Council.

Council members agreed to conduct a meeting of the whole on the ordinance the first week of February prior to the next regular monthly meeting.

Author of the redistricting ordinance is Councilman Lawrence E. Jones (R-at large).

Jones said the ordinance provides "equality in representation under the rule of one-man, one vote using the 1970 census figures."

During the council session, Jones explained that several of the present councilmanic districts are "extremely off balance."

Jones noted at the present time the First District, which includes parts of Wards Two and Eight, and the Second District, which includes parts of Wards Three and Eight, presently represent 45 per cent of the total registered voters in the city of Terre Haute.

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The following is a precinct description of the new proposed councilmanic districts as com-

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pared to the present councilmanic districts.

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Six District (new) — Precinct D of the first ward; precincts B, C, D, E and F of the second ward; precincts A and B of the third ward; precincts A, B, C and D of the fourth ward, and precinct A of the seventh ward. (Present) — precincts C and D of the first ward; precincts B and D of the second ward; precincts A, D and G of the third ward, and precinct D of the sixth ward.

Under the proposed ordinance the three councilmanic at-large districts remain the same. These represent the entire city.

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DO NOT CIRCULATE

T.H. City Council

Council Votes

Money for Street Work

3-18-71

An appropriation ordinance calling for \$200,000 to be used for a street resurfacing program was passed during the regular monthly session of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night.

The money was needed to match a \$200,000 federal grant the city received earlier for the street work.

Mayor Leland Larrison last week announced plans for the extensive street resurfacing, street widening and alley resurfacing program.

In other action the council voted to withdraw an ordinance which would have permitted the rezoning of property near Union Hospital to be used for a mobile home court.

Councilman John E. Napier, who introduced Special Ordinance No. 1, 1971, made a motion the ordinance be withdrawn. It was rumored Napier withdrew the rezoning ordinance because he did not have enough support at this time from other members of the council to assure its passage. Since the ordinance was withdrawn, it can

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be re-introduced at a later date.

The rezoning ordinance would have allowed Melvin J. Myles and Hazel Myles, 1940 N. 5th St., to build a trailer court on a nine-acre tract of land located north of Union Hospital and south of Maple Ave. between N. 4th and 6th Sts.

Special Ordinance No. 11, 1971, that will pave the way for construction of modular or pre-constructed homes in Terre Haute, was passed. The ordinance stipulates the buildings must pass the building code of the city of Terre Haute and Federal Housing Authority standards.

The Council also passed General Ordinance No. 2, 1971, that allows the Board of Public Works and Safety to do "any and all things necessary to carry into effect the Fruitridge Ave. Project."

This will allow the Board of Public Works and Safety to purchase ground and to advertise bidding for the overpass project, on which construction is expected to start in early April.

The overpass project will begin at Riley Ave. about a block south of Wabash Ave. The new four-lane highway will angle to the east, crossing Wabash at Blakely Ave., then continue to the Penn Central tracks north of Locust St. At that point the overpass will be built over the Penn Central tracks, (north of the Quaker Maid Plant).

The new four-lane highway will then angle back to the west and join the present Fruitridge roadway, which will be widened to the Ft. Harrison Road.

The council also passed a ordinance to rezone the southeast corner of Fruitridge and Wabash Ave. from limited community commercial to R-3 General residence.

New business brought before the council included an ordinance authorizing the employment of legal council on behalf of the City Council. This concerns the petition for an injunction filed Feb. 1, 1971 in Vigo Circuit Court by the Terre Haute Masonic Temple Association, Inc.

The petition for an injunction names the City of Terre Haute as defendant and asks the city be enjoined from the closing North Eighth Street between N. 8th St. between Cherry and Eagle Sts.

A resolution was also introduced approving application for a preliminary loan for low rent housing.

Eight councilmen attended the meeting. Councilman Leonard Kirchner was absent.

T. H. City
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Building Code,
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Animal Bill
Up for Study

Members of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night during the regular monthly meeting requested more time to consider an ordinance pertaining to the housing of animals in the city limits and another ordinance pertaining to the revision of the city electrical code.

It was announced during the meeting the council would meet in special session at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, to consider the electrical ordinance.

Councilmen also asked for more time to study an ordinance which proposed the erection of flasher traffic lights at the intersections of 19th and Linden Sts., and Buckeye and Ash Sts.

The ordinance for the traffic lights was introduced by Councilman Eugene Chernay at the request of industry in the neighborhood. Chernay said "traffic is heavy on Nineteenth Street at all hours of the day" and pointed out the traffic department had recommended installation of traffic lights.

When it was brought out that the signals cost approximately \$400 each, Councilman John Napier said, "I wonder if the council isn't guilty of trying to use electrical and mechanical devices instead of police to control traffic."

City Engineer John T. Byrne was asked for recommendations on the installation. He said he did not want to recommend "one way or the other," but explained other means of traffic control are being considered and he would like to study the problems with the Board of Public Works and Safety.

After much discussion, the council voted to spend more time in considering the measure.

The council voted to rezone 1001 N. 13th St. from residential to neighborhood commercial district and suspended the rules to approve erection of a yield signs on Dillman Street at the intersection with Voorhees Street.

Rules again were suspended to pass resolutions on the new business agenda providing for the transfer of funds from different accounts within the Board of Public Works and the police department. The total transfer of funds amounted to \$1684.

With work on the agenda completed, Councilman Napier said he had two things he would like to bring up — one impromptu, the other a matter he brought up at the first meeting of the council in 1968.

He told a group of Garstmeyer High School pupils he wanted to welcome their attendance at the meeting, but because of some bickering that had gone on between the council, he deplored the fact they witnessed it.

Relating to the 1968 meeting, he said he asked that each councilman receive a copy of every ordinance and resolution presented, so they could study them before voting on them.

At present, councilmen must study the ordinance in the City Clerk's office where they are kept on file.

Napier said, "It is absolutely ridiculous that we who are elected as councilmen by the people do not receive copies of ordinances to study." He made a motion each councilman receive copies.

Councilman Lawrence Jones said he did not think it was necessary to receive all proposed measure, but said he could not get to the clerk's office daily to study the proposals.

Councilman Chernay said he thought the motion should be in writing, but William Ennis, president of the council, said the chair ruled and no written document was necessary.

Councilman Clyde Nattkemper termed many of the measures insignificant and too costly to prepare and mail to council members.

However, City Attorney George Tofaute explained that most legislative bodies receive copies of legislation they are to consider.

A vote finally was taken on a motion that councilmen be furnished copies of bills after first reading.

The motion passed by a vote of 7-2.

Before casting his vote, Ennis said he felt it every councilman's duty to find out what the ordinances and resolution concern. He said, "The clerk's office is not a nursemaid for the city council. It will cost more money, which has not been appropriated." He voted against the measure.

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Council Approves

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Sewage Facilities

Authorization for the issuance of \$6.1 million worth of sewage work revenue bonds for the construction of a secondary treatment plant and additional sewers was given to city officials during a special meeting Wednesday night of the Terre Haute City Council.

By a vote of 7-1 the council members authorized city officials to sell the bonds.

Councilman Leonard Kirchner (D-6th district) voted against passage of the ordinance and Councilman Clyde Nattkemper (R-at large) was absent from the meeting.

In other action during the special session the council members heard the first reading of Special Ordinance No. 12. This ordinance grants the Board of Public Works and Safety authority to acquire land on north 9th St., in order to begin construction of the proposed overpass. The ordinance will be voted on during the next regular council meeting.

The council then adjourned the special meeting and reconvened as a committee-of-the-whole to discuss General Ordinance No. 1, 1970 proposing a merit system for members of the Terre Haute police and fire departments. After introduction of 13 amendments, Councilman Napier, the author of the bill, adjourned that meeting and action on the measure was postponed until the regular meeting of the council Wednesday, May 20.

No action was taken on an ordinance amending current sewage rates brought out for first reading at a special meeting last week. Ennis, council president, said no action will be taken until a public hearing is conducted Wednesday, June 3.

The sale of additional revenue bonds necessary for the sewer program became evident in April, when it was learned that construction bids for the projects were almost \$2 million higher than had been anticipated.

The city has been mandated by the State of Indiana and federal authorities to have the secondary sewage treatment plant in operation by Jan. 1, 1972.

The projected program also calls for construction of sanitary interceptor sewers to serve an

additional 3,400 homes not at present connected to city sewer lines.

The total cost of the two projects is estimated at almost \$10 million. Construction of the projects will be handled by the Terre Haute Board of Public Works and Safety and is in no way connected with the Terre Haute-Seelyville sewer extension, which is under way at the present time and which is handled through the Board of Sanitary Commissioners. Funding for the projects is from different sources.

The secondary treatment plant will be built on property occupied by the present sewage plant which was built to handle 20 million gallons of sewage a day with a pollutant removal rate of from 30 to 40 per cent. The new addition will handle 24 million gallons a day with a pollutant removal rate of up to 95 per cent.

Construction of new sanitary sewers is planned for eight areas of the city. They include extensions for Sixth Street and Maple Avenue, Carl Avenue, Terre Town, Twenty-Seventh Street and Maple Avenue, Wabash Avenue, College Avenue, Hulman Street and Margaret Avenue.

The city has received a grant of \$2,376,000 from the Department of Interior of the United States and a grant of \$1,090,600 from the State of Indiana for construction of the sewage plant and the sewers projects.

According to terms of the grants, work on the projects must be started 120 days after construction bids are received. This would mean the work must be underway by the middle of July.

The bond issue approved by the council will be negotiated on a long-term basis, probably running until the year 2,001.

Before selling the bonds, the city controller is responsible for advertising their sale once each week for two weeks in the Terre Haute Star and the Terre Haute Tribune. The notice, at the discretion of the city controllers, also may be published in a financial journal published at Indianapolis and a financial journal published at New York City.

All bidders must furnish a

certified or a cashier's check with their bid in the amount of \$60,000 to guarantee performance. All bids must be sealed and presented to the office of City Controller Carl Price.

During the discussion of the proposed merit system for police and firemen, Napier suggested several amendments. One would remove a member of each department from the commission as originally planned. Instead the four members would be named by the mayor, the City Court judge, the Vigo Circuit judge and the Terre Haute City Council.

Veteran preferences would be cut from 10 per cent to 5 per cent. Appointments to the two departments would be based 20 per cent on oral examination and 80 per cent on a written examination. Increases in rank would be based on the same standards.

When Councilman Mier asked City Attorney George Tofaute for an interpretation on the entire ordinance, Tofaute said, "It cannot be passed because there is no state enabling act to support it." Cities at present under the merit system were approved by the Indiana General Assembly.

Napier, who said he wants to see the ordinance passed because he wants police and fire appointments and rank increases taken out of politics, suggested the council pass the measure, then take the case before the next legislature.

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City Council Airs
STAR 4/9/70
Ambulance Runs

By JOE WAGNER
Star Staff Writer

Only a few complaints about emergency and convalescent ambulance in Terre Haute and Vigo County were brought out at a public hearing before the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night.

City Councilman John Napier, (R. 2nd Dist.), who served as chairman at the meeting, said he had requested the hearing because, "there had been numerous rumors, some good and some bad, concerning ambulance service." He said he wanted to "clear the air on the situation."

At the present time, the DeLong Ambulance Service, a privately operated firm based at Kalamazoo Mich., is subsidized

by the city and county to operate both emergency and convalescent service. The firm is licensed by the Terre Haute Board of Public Works and Safety.

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The Russell Funeral Home also is licensed by the board to operate ambulances, but is not subsidized.

One complainant said she was at a neighbor's home when a DeLong ambulance was called and she said the ambulance did not carry oxygen.

Tindall DeLong, owner of the ambulance firm, said a manual resuscitator, which he displayed at the meeting, was available and the ambulances are equipped with oxygen.

Another complaint concerned an aircraft crash near Alledale last winter. A DeLong Ambulance was reported to have gone into a ditch and a stand-by unit was late in arriving.

Robert Russell, owner of the Russell Funeral Home, said personnel who operate his

ambulances are licensed and qualified. He said his firm is not in the emergency business and calls made are for convalescent service only. When asked if he would provide emergency service if needed, he said he would.

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Dr. W. W. Drummy, who represented the Vigo County Medical Association at the meeting, said, "In spite of some complaints, the city and county have the best equipped ambulance service ever provided."

Vigo County Sheriff Clyde Lovellette told the council he had been critical of service provided by DeLong last summer shortly after the firm took over ambulance calls. He added services since then had been satisfactory.

DeLong told the council his firm has made approximately 3,000 calls since July 1, 1969. He said he has two ambulances that are manned 24 hours daily every day in the week. He also said the firm has lost \$15,000 since operating here despite the \$15,000 subsidy paid by the city and county.

Besides receiving the city-county subsidy, DeLong also receives \$35 for each call, which is billed to the patient.

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City Attorney George Tofaute told councilmen members of the Terre Haute Police Department have inspected ambulances now in service in the city. Tofaute said he felt the ambulances were better equipped than required by ordinance.

The question of what constitutes "emergency" and "convalescent" service was raised

Remap Study Goes To City Council

By GLEN WILLIAMS
Star Staff Writer

An ordinance establishing the councilmanic districts of the city of Terre Haute, to conform with a decision of the U.S. Supreme Court, was introduced at Wednesday night's regular session of the Terre Haute City Council.

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The council agreed to conduct a meeting-of-the-whole during the first week in February to discuss the redistricting ordinance before the next council meeting set for Feb. 17.

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City Council To Air Ambulance Service

BY BOB CORK
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night voted unanimously to conduct a public hearing in the near future regarding De Long Ambulance Service that has a contract with the city and the county.

Councilman John Napier made the motion to call the hearing,

which will review the first few months of the DeLong operation.

Napier said citizens and funeral directors should air their views at the hearing, which would in part establish purpose of assurance Terre Haute will not unexpectedly have to face the problem of being without emergency ambulance service.

William Ennis, president of the council, will determine the date for the public hearing, which will be called before the April council meeting.

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Also at Wednesday night's meeting, the council voted to strike from the record the proposed small animal ordinance that has been the subject of heated debates at prior meetings.

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The Council referred two appropriation, five general and two special ordinances to committee after they were read for the first time.

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The appropriation ordinances would provide \$1,740 for the salary of a clerk in the juvenile department and \$9,700 for the completion of all construction for the new police communications center.

One proposed general ordinance would provide for the establishment of commercial loading zones and the collection of fees for same.

Another ordinance referred to committee would establish Eastern Standard Time as the official time for all local governmental offices, and another pertains to taxicab companies and their use of limousines without having city licenses.

An ordinance granting more paid holidays to city employees and one amending the city electrical codes were also referred to committee.

The two special ordinances referred to committee for study included one that would rezone for commercial use property located at the 2500 block of Layher St., and another dealing with approval of the entering into a legal contract with Gerald McGlone by the Board of Public Works acting on behalf of the Terre Haute Sewage Works.

The council also passed a resolution in accordance with a request by the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, in regard to the request for federal funds for the improvement of Fruitridge Avenue.

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T.H. City Council
City Council Calls
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Ambulance Quiz

In an effort to seek information about the operation of the DeLong Ambulance Service, members of the Terre Haute City Council voted Wednesday night to schedule a public hearing in the near future.

Republican Councilman John E. Napier, 2nd district, moved the council call for a public hearing to listen to views about the operation of the ambulance service. DeLong Ambulance Service has a contract with the

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Also changed from residential to commercial zoning was a 5-acre tract of land lying south of Ft. Harrison Road and east of Thirteenth Street.

The third change to commercial zoning involved property located on the west side of Seventh Street from Poplar to Swan.

An extension of time was granted for an ordinance that would appropriate \$6,500 for official records for the City Clerk's Office, and also for an ordinance that would create a Board of Civil Service Commissioners.

The Council referred two appropriations, five general and two special ordinances to committee after they were read for the first time.

The appropriation ordinances would provide \$1,740 for the salary of a clerk in the juvenile department and \$9,700 for the completion of all construction for the new police communications center.

One proposed general ordinance would provide for the establishment of commercial loading zones and the collection of fees for same.

Another ordinance referred to committee would establish Eastern Standard Time as the official time for all local governmental offices, and another pertains to taxicab companies and their use of limousines without having city licenses.

An ordinance granting more paid holidays to city employees and one amending the city electrical codes were also referred to committee.

The two special ordinances referred to committee for study included one that would rezone for commercial use property located at the 2500 block of Layher St., and another dealing with approval of the entering into a legal contract with Gerald McGlone by the Board of Public Works acting on behalf of the Terre Haute Sewage Works.

The council also passed a resolution in accordance with a request by the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce, in regard to the request for federal funds for the improvement of Fruitridge Avenue.

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12-19-70

Ordinance Ends 12th Night Tree Burning

The traditional Twelfth Night Christmas tree burning at Memorial Park in Terre Haute has been discontinued according to Park Superintendent Jerry Harbaugh.

Harbaugh cited the recently enacted no burn ordinance passed this week by members of the City Council as the reason to discontinue the long time standing tradition in the city.

In a prepared statement Harbaugh said, "The Twelfth Night is the traditional English name given to the Holy Day celebrated on Jan. 6, the twelfth night after Christmas. In Terre Haute the Twelfth Night Christmas Tree Burning at Memorial Park has been a tradition on this date. In recent years it has been sponsored by the area churches and the city.

At its meeting on Thursday, December 10th, the Board of Directors of the Greater Terre Haute Church Federation took the following action:

Because of their desire to adhere to the terms of the recently adopted anti-burning ordinance (Special Ordinance No. 14) they recommend that the Twelfth Night Christmas Tree Burning in Terre Haute be discontinued.

In keeping with the above request, there will be no Christmas Tree Burning in Memorial Park this year. Memorial Park is being posted and the public is asked to refrain from dumping Christmas trees there."

"We had a 68-year-old man come in and say that for as long as he can remember people have taken their Christmas trees to the "sunken park" and burned them," Harbaugh said. "It's a shame the tradition has to end but we must obey the law," he added.

The park superintendent estimated that 3,000 trees were burned at the park last year and again asked that people refrain from leaving their trees at the park due to the cost of removing them.

Mayor Leland Larrison was asked how persons were to dispose of their trees if they could not burn them in the park. "Everyone will have to be responsible for disposal of their trees", Larrison said. "I suppose if they had real small ones and could cut them up to fit in their trash containers they would be picked up," he added.

The City Council passed Special Ordinance No. 14 in Sept. that prohibits the burning of garbage or refuse within the city limits. The council amended the ordinance Wednesday night to exclude the burning of leaves during the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

During the course of the meeting the subject of the Twelfth Night Christmas tree burning at Memorial Park was brought up but nothing was acted upon.

Councilman Ken Meir, who introduced the no burning ordinance, said he had no intention of including the tree burning ceremony in the ordinance and felt very bad about its cancellation.

REFERENCE
DO NOT CIRCULATE

Leaf Burning Is Reinstated

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City residents will be permitted after Jan. 1, 1971, to burn leaves during certain hours of the day following the passage of an amended ordinance by members of the City Council Wednesday night.

The nine-member body unanimously voted to accept Special Ordinance No. 42, as amended which permits the burning of leaves.

Earlier this year the council had passed an ordinance which would prohibit the burning of all ash, trash and garbage in the city. After the contractor for the collection of the ash, trash and garbage threatened to cancel his contract and a suit was filed for temporary injunction calling for the council not to repeal the burning ordinance, the councilmen reached an al-

ternate plan thus allowing persons to burn leaves.

The new ordinance permits persons to burn leaves during the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily.

The ordinance also allows persons to burn fuel for outside cookouts and gasoline in their vehicles.

Dr. Noel Moore, director of the Division of Air Pollution Control of the Vigo County Health Department, addressed the council and urged the council not to repeal Special Ordinance No. 14 and pledged the full support of his staff toward the enforcement of it.

Special Ordinance No. 14 was amended will go into effect Jan. 1, 1971 after Mayor Leland Larrison signs it. Larrison was quoted as saying he would not sign the ordinance unless he was assured by City Attorney George Tofaute it would not effect the pending law suit against him and members of the City Council in Vigo Superior Court No. 2.

Dr. Larry R. Bruce, a teacher at Indiana State University and president of the Citizen's League for Environmental Action, filed the petition for an injunction against the mayor and the City Council in behalf of all "residents, citizens and taxpayers," in a class action that would prevent the repeal of the no burning ordinance.

The injunction petition also asks if the defendants repeal the ordinance, then the plaintiff should be allowed to amend the complaint to seek a \$200,000 judgment from the defendants.

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Charles K. Moore has scheduled a hearing on the request for 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 21.

Tofaute said after the council meeting he did not think an amendment to Special Ordinance No. 14 would affect the petition for an injunction. It is believed in all probability Larrison will sign Special Ordinance No. 42 and Special Ordinance No. 14 as amended will go into effect Jan. 1, 1971.

The council also voted to request City Attorney Tofaute represent them in the case now pending in Superior Court No. 2.

In other business the council passed Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1970 that appropriates \$34,000 for the Aviation Depart-

ment from city funds to pay for sewage construction at Hulman Field. The council also passed a resolution that would allow the Aviation Department to transfer \$150 from equipment funds to travel expenses.

The council also passed several rezoning ordinances including the rezoning of property at 1616 S. 25th St. from a R-1 single family to R-3 general residential district, and property located at 14 S. 17th St. from R-3 general residential district to strip business.

The council voted to erect a yield sign on Layher Street before entering Greenwood Street and established no parking on the north side of Maple Avenue from Ninth Street to Thirteenth Street.

Postponed for a future consideration were ordinances for appropriating \$6,506 for the Fruitridge Avenue Project from the cumulative Capital Improve-

ment Fund and an ordinance to erect stop signs on Seabury Avenue before entering Nineteenth Street.

REFERENCE
DO NOT CIRCULATE

Sues to Prevent Burn Bill Repeal

A suit was filed Friday in Vigo Superior Court No. 2, by the Citizens' League for Environmental Action Now to block the repeal of Special Ordinance No. 14 which prohibits the burning of trash and garbage in the city after Jan. 1, 1971.

The suit was filed in behalf of Dr. Larry R. Bruce, president of CLEAN against Mayor Leland Larrison and the nine-member Terre Haute City Council body.

Larrison recently stated he would favor the repeal of the ordinance after the contractor for the collection of the ash, trash and garbage asked that his contract be broken with the city effective Jan. 1, 1971.

The suit asks that the defendants be "temporarily enjoined" from repealing the ordinance, that the defendants be "permanently enjoined" from repealing the ordinance and if the

defendants repeal the ordinance, then the plaintiff should be allowed to amend the complaint to seek a \$200,000 judgment from the defendants.

The suit states the plaintiff has "personal knowledge" that the council will consider repealing the Ordinance Dec. 16, and if it is, the Mayor would then affirm such actions.

Superior Court No. 2 Judge Charles K. McCrory has scheduled a hearing on the request for a preliminary injunction for 10:30 a.m., Dec. 21.

When Mayor Larrison signed the original ordinance Sept. 28 which prohibits all burning in the city, he said he hoped the council would "immediately introduce and pass another ordinance allowing the burning of leaves."

The suit states the ordinance was signed Sept. 28 by the mayor. It also cites an Indiana State Statute against air pollution in the complaint.

If the ordinance were repealed, according to the suit, it would be in conflict and violation of the state law.

Also repeal "would be injuri-

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ous and would imperil the plaintiff's health and welfare as well as that of all members of the same class," the suit states.

Also the suit states, "The odor, stench and air pollution to be created as a direct result of repealing" would hinder the plaintiff and the class members "from being able to enjoy and maintain all their rights as human beings."

A second claim in the suit states the proposed actions of the defendants is "illegal" and asks that the defendants "be prohibited by a writ of prohibition . . . from repealing special ordinance No. 14, 1970, or from enacting any further legislation which has the same force and effect of repealing the ordinance."

Mayor Larrison has asked No. 14 be repealed and then that another ordinance be passed which would allow the burning of leaves.

The Mayor said, "It is unfair to add to the contractor additional burden of picking up leaves, when there was no ordinance prohibiting the burning of leaves in effect when this contract was made."

The Gibson Service Co., Inc., has a contract with the city for the collection of ash, trash and garbage.

Defendants in the suit are Mayor Larrison and councilmen, John E. Napier, Warren B. Henderson Sr., Kenneth Mier, Lawrence Jones, Joseph E. Chernay, James Cook, Leonard Kirchner, Clyde Nattkemper and William E. Ennis.

Dr. Larry R. Bruce, president of the Citizens' League for Environmental Action Now, who is seeking an injunction against Mayor Leland Larrison and the City Council to prevent repeal of Special Ordinance No. 14 which prohibits the burning of garbage or refuse within city limits wishes to clarify the suit.

Bruce states that an earlier report concerning the suit sounded like the group was against the repealing of all burning ordinances including a special proposed ordinance concerning the burning of leaves for two months of the year.

He concluded by saying that the group is just against the repealing of the special Ordinance No. 14 and is in favor of a leaf-burning provision.

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Amendment Put
In Committee

An ordinance which would permit the burning of leaves in the city was placed into committee for study by members of the Terre Haute City Council during a special meeting at City Hall Wednesday night.

During the special meeting the council passed four rezoning property ordinances.

Mayor Leland Larrison earlier this week requested the council draw up an ordinance which would permit the burning of leaves in the city during certain months of the year and specific times of the day.

The mayor last week signed into law an ordinance which prohibits the burning of trash and refuse in the city. The ordinance will be effective Jan. 1, 1971.

Special Ordinance No. 42 will become eligible for passage at a second reading when the City Council meets in regular session Wednesday, Oct. 21.

All of the rezoning ordinances were passed unanimously by the eight council members present. Councilman Lawrence R. Jones was absent.

The council passed ordinances No. 30 and No. 31 that rezoned property between Barbour Avenue and North Avenue east of Sixteenth Street, and property at 115-119 Water Street and 10 Cherry Street from M-2 heavy industry to C-2 limited community commerce district.

The third ordinance passed by the council was Special Ordinance No. 35, which rezoned property at 21 S. Fruitridge Ave. from residence to C-1 commerce.

The last ordinance passed by the council was Special Ordinance No. 39. This ordinance rezoned property at 906 N. 6th St. and 512-514 Locust St. from residence to C-1 commerce.

Dorothea Harned, president of HELP (Housewives Effort for Local Progress) asked council members to take their time in considering to pass Special Or-

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dinance No. 42 that would allow the burning of leaves in the city.

She asserted leaf-burning is more harmful to health than that of trash burning. She said leaf-burning will not actually become a problem until the fall of 1971, since the ordinance will not take effect until Jan. 1, 1971.

She added, "We recognize that the collection of leaves may present a problem to the city but, might we suggest, to the City Council, that Rose Poly Institute, this year, is promoting a study on possible alternate solutions to this problem. HELP asks, therefore, that the City Council allow Special Ordinance No. 14 stand unchanged until this study or one similar to it can be completed."

The Vigo County Health Department announced Wednesday, its concerned with the new city ordinance banning open burning of trash and garbage.

The Health Department suggested the ordinance will not only increase the burden of collection crews, but it will also add a greater responsibility to the general public who must be aware of the increased health problem.

"Our department considers the ordinance to be important, but the workload will be doubled by its passage, making the health problem greater at pick-up and disposal sites," Paul Welch, administrative assistant of the department said.

"It is important that we use good common sense in the administration and enforcement of the ordinance and we must accept the responsibility of educating the public as to the health benefits that can come from the new law," Welch said.

Welch explained, saying by eliminating burning, as a means of trash and garbage disposal, the ordinance will increase the amount of wastes accumulated by individuals.

"Unless attention is given to proper storage of refuse until it can be collected, unsanitary conditions will multiply," Welch added.

The health department issued three suggestions for the prop-

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er storage and handling of garbage. These include: Receptacles for the temporary storage of refuse should be designed especially for the waste to be stored. They should be covered, equipped with handles and not to exceed 30 to 32 gallons to insure quick and efficient collection.

Containers utilized for garbage storage, whether separate or in combination with other refuse, should be of 26 to 30 gauge galvanized metal and equipped with tight fitting lids. Plastic cans are light in weight but are easily gnawed through by rats and are not suitable.

Individuals should replace worn refuse cans and equipment, keep containers and storage areas clean and wrap all garbage in paper.

LOCAL HISTORY

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T.H. City Council

Councilman Napier Will Give Up Seat

STAR 5/25/71

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

City Councilman John E. Napier said Monday he plans to resign soon from the City Council because he is moving from the city. Napier, a Republican, serves the Second District.

Napier who is vice president of the Canteen Corp. here, will become general manager of the Canteen Corp. at St. Louis, Mo. He also will be responsible for Canteen distribution at Alton, Ill., and Paducah, Ky.

Napier said he will leave Terre Haute within the next six weeks, but he has not made his resignation from the council official.

Napier's seat is expected to be filled by someone appointed by the present City Council, which is made up of seven Republicans and two Democrats. The unexpired term will run through the end of 1971.

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Napier also was slated to run for re-election on the Republican ticket in the fall election, having beaten Rex Lawrence in the May primary for the nomination.

Tom Hicks, Vigo County Republican Chairman, said the Central Committee will name a replacement candidate before the November election.

Napier, who has lived in Terre Haute since his early

childhood, expressed his regret at having to leave. "I am leaving Terre Haute with a lot of regret," he said, "but I cannot turn my back on the opportunity."

He said he will retain his business connections with the Canteen Corp. here. He is part owner in the local company.

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Napier was first elected to the City Council in the Novem-

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ber, 1967 general election. He has been a leading advocate of higher pay and fringe benefits for Terre Haute's police and firemen.

The City Council delayed action earlier in the month on an ordinance sponsored by Napier which would increase police and firemen's salaries \$550 to \$1,000 a year, depending upon their rank.

A similar bill sponsored by Napier was defeated last year. The city administration has opposed the measure, saying the city cannot afford the added financial burden.

When asked what he thought might happen to the bill now that he is leaving, Napier said he hopes his absence will not have any effect upon the measure.

The council is also considering a compromise ordinance which would grant a \$500 across-the-board raise to police and firemen.

Napier's seat will be the second vacancy to be filled by ap-

pointment in recent years. Councilman William Ennis was appointed to fill a vacancy created by the death of Myron Busby, a councilman-at-large, in 1965. Ennis was then re-elected Councilman of the First District in the 1967 city election.

County Council to Caucus On Fruitridge Overpass

W.H. City Council

6/10/71

Drill

By JACK A. HUGHES
Tribune Staff Writer

There is a big question mark surrounding future county council action, if any, on Tuesday's agreement between city officials and the county commissioners to share increased costs of the North Fruitridge Avenue project.

What's more, question appears to be as much in the minds of most county councilmen as elsewhere.

Following Tuesday's meeting and agreement, County Council President J. Arthur Mann said the county funding body would not give necessary approval to the agreement. He said he was against giving any more financial support to the project from the county and that the majority of his colleagues on the county council felt the same way.

However, as the situation developed Wednesday, most members of the seven-man body gravitated to an inquiring attitude rather than a decided one. As an announced weekend "caucus" approached, the county council appeared to have its president on one side of the issue, Councilman John Brentlinger on the other, and the rest of the members in between.

Mann said, "The county simply doesn't have enough money to appropriate the extra funds without other projects suffering."

Councilman Brentlinger, who was the only county councilman at Tuesday's meeting of the county commissioners and city officials, said, "The project is vital to the area and I would not want to do anything to put it in jeopardy."

County Councilman Everett S. Branam Jr. echoed Mann's complaint of a "communications gap," saying, "This is the first time anyone has said a word to me about it." He added that he would have nothing further to say until the matter was put to

the council.

Similar reactions came from other councilmen, including Lawrence F. King, Don E. Myers, W. Paul Newton and Frank Kaperak, who said they had little information on the agreement.

Meanwhile, Mayor Leland Larrison appeared confident that the higher costs of the project will be met and that funds

will be available soon, although he acknowledged that "We only agreed to submit this plan to the respective councils for appropriation. They can accept or reject it."

The mayor also asked City Attorney George Tofaute, who estimated 60 days would be required to complete land acquisition, to try to get the job done in 45 days.

\$650,000 Trash

Removal Approved

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Community Affairs File

An amended Honey Creek annexation proposal was adopted at the City Council meeting which also approved the controversial \$650,000 trash removal contract and had first reading of next year's \$5.1 million city budget and a \$4.99 tax rate.

Rezoning ordinances receiving favorable Council action included one to permit the construction of a 48-lane bowling alley at 2140 Ft. Harrison Rd.

The modified annexation proposal takes 3,200 acres of Honey Creek Township into the city, pending a 60-day waiting period for expected legal action opposing the measure. The area to be annexed includes business and residential developments in the most populated part of the township.

Eliminated from annexation in the amendment were areas to the north and west which had been proposed in the original annexation ordinance. Councilman Eugene Butts, submitter the amendment which was passed unanimously.

The nine council members also passed 8-1 over the negative vote of City Councilman William Jarvis a special ordinance approving a \$650,000 two-year contract for waste and refuse removal in the city.

The new contract is with the Jamax Corporation, which lists Max Gibson as president and his father, LeVern Gibson, as secretary.

The contract had come under fire from the Housewives' Effort for Local Progress (HELP), which opposed the measure because of high increase in the cost of the contract over the one which expires at the end of October.

According to figures cited by HELP during the July city council session, the \$650,000 figure for the two-year period represents an increase of about \$100,000 per year over existing contracts.

The City Council also heard first readings of an ordinance to appropriate money for Mayor William J. Brighton's \$5,113,000 1973 budget and a measure setting a proposed \$4.99 1973 city tax rate.

The council is expected to meet in the near future as a committee of the whole to go over the budget before meeting to adopt it in its final form Aug. 28.

Some cuts are expected to be made in the city administration's 1973 spending plan, but the \$5 million budget is expected to pass the city council relatively intact.

Other measures passed by the city council during Thursday night's lengthy session follow:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 7 — \$20,000 from the general fund to the Board of Public Works and Safety to finance tuck-pointing of the city hall. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 45 — Rezone property at 3040 Wabash Ave., from R-1 to C-2 classification. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 46 — Erect stop signs at the

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corner of Sixth and Minshall Streets. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 47 — Erect stop signs at the corner of Twenty-fifth Street and Wallace Avenue. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 48 — Erect stop signs at the corner of Twenty-sixth Street and Grand Avenue. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 50 — Rezone property at 948 Margaret Avenue from R-1 to C-2 classification. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 51 — Establish one-way traffic in the alley between Eighth and Ninth Streets and between Poplar and Walnut Streets. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 54 — Rezone property at 1196 Lockport Road. Passed unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 55 — Rezone property at 2140 Ft. Harrison Road to commercial classification for construction of a 48-lane bowling alley. Passed unanimously.

New measures introduced for first reading Thursday night include:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 8 — \$128,400 from the cumulative capital improvement fund for R-16 Temporary Loan Repayment Fund. Introduced by Councilman Lamb.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 9 — \$10,000 from the cumulative capital improvement fund for the Ft. Harrison Road Project. Introduced by Councilman Lamb.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 10 — \$30,000 from the local road and streets fund for the Ft. Harrison Road Project. Introduced by Councilman Lamb.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 11, as amended—City Budget.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 56 — An Ordinance amending the comprehensive zoning code. Introduced by Councilman Jarvis.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 57 — Erection of stop signs at the corner of Fifteenth Street and Barbour Avenue. Introduced by Councilman Neaderhiser.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 58 — Repealing Special Ordinance No. 48, 1971. (Supercedes ordinance erecting pedestrian controlled traffic signal at entrance to K-Mart.) Introduced by Councilman Lenahan.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 59 — Rezone property at the northwest corner of First Street and Margaret Avenue from R-1 single family residential to C-2 limited community commerce. Introduced by Councilman Butts.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 60 — Rezone property at 15½ Street on the west side of Lost Creek from R-1 to C-4 restricted central business district.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 61 — To fix the tax levy for the city of Terre Haute, payable in 1973.

REFERENCE
DO NOT CIRCULATE

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Community Affairs File

City Councilmen Study '72 Budget

By DICK EVANS
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night recommended approval of most of the proposed \$4,304,313 city budget for 1972, but delayed action on a request from the Department of Redevelopment for more than \$22,000.

The task of considering the proposed city budget, initially expected to amount to some \$170,000 more than this year, got under way following a brief special council session in which the group approved passage of a rezoning ordinance that had sparked considerable negative reaction from spectators during the regular council session last Wednesday.

The council voted 7-0 to approve an ammended version of the measure (Special Ordinance No. 33), which would rezone property at 2301 S. 7th St., from R-1 residential to C-2 commercial.

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The council approved the C-2 rating for the establishment of a photographer's studio operated by Wayne Manuel, but stipulated that the property would revert to the original R-1 classification in the event the studio should cease to exist.

Two residents of the area in question, a church trustee, and two members of HELP (Housewives. Effort for Local Progress) spoke against the proposal last week. Most of the same group were joined by one or two new area residents Wednesday night, but they were given no opportunity to address the special session headed by

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Council Vice President James Cook.

The group had opposed the spot zoning in a prepared statement to the council saying such action "is the first step toward making the neighborhood less desirable and, therefore, the first step toward a blighted area.

Third District Councilman Kenneth Mier led the opposition to the request of the Department of Redevelopment, but most of the councilmen in attendance voiced objection to the budget proposal at one point or another.

Of the \$22,680 request, submitted by Golby Uhlir, executive director of the department, \$15,000 would go for temporary salaries Uhlir said would be necessary to carry the department through a projected time period during the last half of 1972 in which no federal money would be available to his office.

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Councilman Lawrence Jones, who presided at the committee-of-the-whole work session Wednesday night, said the group would take up the request at a similar meeting next Wednesday.

The only other budget cut recommended by the council-of-the-whole was deletion of a request for \$4,500 for emergency ambulance service. A similar amount was included in the 1971 budget to pay for a contract agreement with the now defunct DeLong Ambulance service, which was closed by the Internal Revenue Service earlier this year.

Of the estimated \$170,000 increase expected in the proposed 1972 budget nearly \$150,000 can be attributed to wage increases granted to members of the police and fire departments as well as to all city employees, excluding elected officials.

The city's 148 fireman and 109 policemen received a \$300 across-the-board increase in addition to an extra \$200 clothing allowance effective Jan. 1, 1972. That \$500 total would amount to \$128,500.

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Yearly increases of \$240 to the 32 salaried employees of the city in addition to increases averaging 10 cents an hour to hourly employees will amount to another \$20,000 according to City Controller Carl Price.

Price said the additional 1972 budget requests would probably be mirrored in an addition tax rate for 1972. He predicted a rate amounting to \$3.79 for each \$100 of property value. He added that the rate, and increase of 27 cent on the dollar over 1971, might go down if the budget is cut.

A sizable decrease in taxable property in the city also will be a factor in the 1972 tax rate increase, Price said. The assessed property evaluation in the city dropped more than 2.3 million dollars in 1971, according to Price.

That drop can be attributed to the demolition of several large buildings on Wabash Avenue, and to the loss of taxable property through urban renewal projects Price said.

Publication of the proposed city budget is required by law before August 12, this year, so the council will have to complete the task of setting its recommendations next week Jones said.

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The council will then meet again in a special called session sometime before Aug. 30 to approve the final version.

Some other notable increases in the proposed budget include an expected \$75,000 increase in the cost of public utilities, a \$35,000 increase for electricity and a \$30,000 increase for water usage.

The police department's budget is up to \$74,432 from \$908,280 to 982,712. This includes the aforementioned salary increases.

Similarly, the fire department's budget request is up \$36,300 over last year from \$1,164,710 to \$1,201,710.

The City Council's budget will show a decrease of \$125,000 next year, reflecting the fact that no campaign expenses will be needed during 1972.

Mained essentially within the scope of 1971 requests, reflecting increases, if any, in salary hikes for the employees.

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LOCAL HISTORY

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City Council *7-11-72*

To Consider Community Affairs File Pension Plan

The City Council will meet in special session Monday evening to consider a pension plan for city employees. The council has tabled the pension proposal at Thursday's regular meeting.

The pension resolution introduced by Councilman John "Pete" Lamb, would create a public employees retirement fund to which the city would make partial payments. City workers would have a percentage of their gross wages put into the fund.

Councilman Thomas Lenahan made the motion which tabled the plan. He later stated the proposal could prove costly, pointing out the proposal would cover City Council members.

The proposal would include all city employees except policemen and firemen, who have their own pension plans.

Mayor William Brighton's proposed 1973 budget includes \$23,000 for the pension fund. Brighton has supported the plan saying all other governmental employees in the community have pension arrangements and city workers also deserve the same benefit.

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REFERENCE
DO NOT CIRCULATE

City Council Votes Budget Of \$4,304,313 for 1972

Meeting in special session Wednesday night to receive an appropriation request for \$60,000 for improvements to Margaret Ave., the Terre Haute City Council then met as a committee of the whole to continue the discussion of the 1972 city budget.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 15 was referred to the Capital Improvements Committee for study, and a report is expected to be made at the regular Council meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 18. The improvement project calls for the resurfacing, re-

designing and widening of Margaret Ave. from 25th St. east to the city limits.

Councilman Lawrence Jones, chairman of the Finance Committee, conducted the budget hearing, which resulted in a recommended cut of \$4,500 from the police department request, for funds for emergency ambulance service. A similar amount was included in the 1971 budget for a contract with the DeLong Ambulance Service, which was closed by the Internal Revenue Service earlier this year.

The proposed city budget now stands at \$4,304,313, about \$165,000 more than last year's. City Controller Carl Price estimated that the tax rate would be about \$3.77 per hundred dollars assessed valuation, based on this total appropriation, which, however, is subject to further cuts by the Vigo County Tax Adjustment Board and the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The 1971 rate is \$3.52. The city's assessed valuation is \$2.3 million less than in 1970, another factor in the higher tax rate.

Much of the \$165,515 increase in the proposed budget can be attributed to wage increases granted to members of the police and fire departments, as well as to all other city employees, excluding elected officials.

The city's 148 firemen and 109 policemen received a \$300 across-the-board salary

increase and an extra \$200 clothing allowance effective Jan. 1, 1972. That \$500 package would amount to \$128,500.

Yearly increases of \$240 to the 32 salaried employees of the city, in addition to increases averaging 10 cents an hour to hourly employees will amount to another \$20,000, according to City Controller Carl Price.

The only other departmental request which sparked any serious question among the councilmen was a request from the

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Department of Redevelopment for \$22,680.

The council, meeting as a committee-of-the-whole a week ago, delayed action on the request submitted by Golby Uhler, executive director of the department that action came after Uhler told the councilmen \$15,000 of the total would go for temporary salaries he said might be necessary to carry the department through a projected time period during the last half of 1972 in which there is a possibility that no federal money would be available.

Third District Councilman Kenneth Mier and Sixth District Councilman Leonard Kirchner led the opposition to the request of the Department of Redevelopment, but the eight men attending Wednesday's session finally voted 5-3 to approve Uhler's request.

Councilman Joseph E. Chermay, of the Fourth District, also voted against the budget proposal. Christian E. Trummel, of the Second District, was not present.

Some other notable increases in the proposed budget include an expected \$75,000 increase in the cost of public utilities \$35,000 of the increase would go for electricity and \$30,000 for water usage.

The police department's budget is up \$69,932 from \$908,280 to \$978,212. This includes the aforementioned salary increases.

Similarly, the fire department's budget request is up \$36,300 over last year from \$1,164,710 to \$1,201,710.

Publication of the proposed city budget is required by law

before Aug. 12, this year, and the council will meet in a special session Aug. 30 to approve the final version.

J.H. City Council
**City Council
Takes Action
On Rezoning**

During the regular monthly meeting Wednesday night at City Hall, the City Council acted upon three rezoning ordinances, one appropriation ordinance, and referred nine new ordinances on zoning and traffic controls to the appropriate committee for study.

In the audience of about 80 were a number of students in political science classes at Terre Haute North Vigo High School.

Special Ordinance No. 43, 1971, which would have rezoned property at 2344 Sycamore St. from a residential to a commercial district, was stricken after considerable discussion by the councilmen.

The ordinance was submitted at the request of parties interested in selling the single family dwelling located at the address to City Plumbing, Inc., for eventual use as office space.

Councilman Kenneth Mier, chairman of the council Planning and Zoning Committee, opposed the ordinance on the grounds that it would open an entire residential block to encroachment by commercial enterprises.

The ordinance was defeated by a 6-2 margin on the motion by Councilman Eugene Chernay to strike it from the record.

Special Ordinance No. 40, 1971, passed the council 8-0. That measure allows the owner of a northside trailer park to expand operations to include property at 2300 Lafayette Ave.

Special Ordinance No. 46, 1971, was passed by a unanimous vote, rezoning property located at the corner of 3rd and Osborn Sts., from a residential to limited commercial area. The measure cleared the way for establishment of a drug store at the location.

Considerable discussion was also sparked by Special Ordinance No. 45, 1971, which called for lowering the age limit for cab drivers in the city from 21 to 18. The ordinance was submitted at the request of the Yellow Cab Co., to bring the city ordinance into line with a recently passed state statute setting the age limit at 18. It passed by a vote of 5-3.

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Community Affairs File

City Council
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The only appropriation ordinance acted upon Wednesday allocated \$7,000 from the unexpended and unappropriated balance of the Park Fund to the Park Department budget. The money will be used to pay temporary wages and salaries through the end of the present fiscal year.

During the opening minutes set aside for reports by city officials and department heads,

City Controller Carl Price gave a brief report on the status of a project underway to acquire new traffic signals at the intersection of 7th St. and Lafayette Ave.

Price said the traffic signals will be replaced because the present system is outmoded and in bad repair. An estimated \$40,000 will be required to replace the signals at the intersection which also includes 3rd Ave.

A major portion of the money for the project is expected to come from a revenue sharing project known as TOPICS. Price said an application for the money has been filed and a reply is expected within two weeks.

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Lame Ducks Seek to Use Up Surplus

By JAMES DRESSLER
Tribune Staff Writer

Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton Friday sharply criticized the attempt of the lame duck Republican-controlled City Council to commit hundreds of thousands of city funds to three questionable projects in the last 30 days of the outgoing city administration.

Brighton questioned the following projects being pushed rapidly by the lame duck councilmen, especially since they are being promoted in the final days of the present administration:

—A \$195,000 appropriation request to build a big restaurant at Hulman Field, which Brighton says would end up being a cocktail lounge-restaurant.

—An appropriation ordinance transferring \$347,000 to purchase a 9.2-acre tract of land for possible future use as the site of a city-county building.

—A resolution passed recently proposing that the \$100,000-plus in the Brittlebank Trust Fund be used for the development of a park in conjunction with the University-Civic Amphitheater, which is not in line with Brighton's thinking that the funds should be used for a neighborhood park-recreation facility to benefit children.

Another special City Council meeting Monday night is expected to attract several citizens and Democrats who will take office Jan. 1. The pending appropriation ordinances are expected to be acted on at that time.

"If the outgoing Republican-controlled City Council had taken action on these questionable projects a year or so ago, there probably wouldn't be as many vocal complaints as there are now," Brighton said, "but it's just ridiculous for them to try to do all these things in their last 30 days in office. It's just not good government."

Brighton, a Democrat, will take office Jan. 1, along with

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Brighton

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eight Democratic city councilmen, a Democratic city judge, and a Democratic city clerk.

Just one of the seven Republicans steamrolling action on the three controversial projects will be in office after the first of the year, Brighton noted.

"I think it's commendable that the two Democrats on the present City Council have opposed these last-second moves of the Republican majority," Brighton said.

During the recent election campaign, which Brighton won, he proposed use of the Brittlebank funds to purchase the old Garfield High School property to develop a year-round park-recreation center. Brighton said he felt the city would be eligible for matching funds from higher levels of government to double the amount to \$220,000.

"I believe the Brittlebank money was intended to be used as a people's park, not a landscape park," Brighton said.

"I want to develop a park-recreation center as part of the city park system memorializing Mr. Brittlebank," Brighton said. "I definitely think the Brittlebank money was intended to be used for a park in which the children of taxpayers would benefit."

"I can't see any benefit for children in the manner the Republican city councilmen intend to spend the money."

Discussing the GOP proposal for a restaurant-cocktail lounge at Hulman Field, Brighton said he can't comprehend how the Republicans, without consulting him, could attempt to start such a project, especially since he would be mayor during the time any such project would have to be implemented.

"The type of restaurant-cocktail lounge they're talking about would be as big as some in airports in large cities like Chicago," Brighton said. "I just

can't see the need for that type of facility in Terre Haute, especially when it's a GOP rush job."

Brighton also feels the outgoing Republicans are trying to go around him in allocating the \$387,000 to buy land for a possible city-county building.

"The council never consulted me about that," said Brighton. "And that's going to be my responsibility over the next four years, not theirs."

City Councilman-elect Pete Chalos echoed Brighton's sentiments.

"That proposed restaurant-cocktail lounge, as I understand it, would seat 300," said Chalos. "We don't even fill our present restaurant at the airport most of the time. In my opinion, the Republican proposal would waste taxpayers money, leaving us with a white elephant. It's a gross irresponsibility in the use of city funds."

Community Affairs File

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Chalos Questions Community Affairs File # DEC 6 1977 Legality of Action

City Councilman-elect Pete Chalos said Monday he questions the legality of a resolution passed recently by the city council authorizing the purchase of downtown property with Brittlebank money for establishment of a park as part of the University-Civic Amphitheater.

Noting that an ordinance was passed in 1967 which authorized the board of park commissioners to buy a tract of land in Terre Town to establish a public park to be known as Brittlebank Park, Chalos said, "To my knowledge this ordinance was not rescinded."

Chalos said, "The question then must be asked not only of how appropriate the park would be at the University-Civic Amphitheater site, but also the legality of the resolution to establish this landscape to the arena."

Chalos said he hopes the City Council, which is meeting tonight, will clear up the issue of the previous ordinance.

"I also hope concerned citizens will let the outgoing City Council know their feelings about the proposed park, too," he added.

The outgoing City Council, meeting in special session last week, passed the ordinance authorizing the purchase of downtown land by a 5-2 vote.

Chalos, in explaining his stand against using the \$100,000 bequeathed to the city by the late Julius Brittlebank to finance a downtown park in conjunction with the University-Civic Amphitheater, said he doesn't believe that would satisfy the intent of the donor.

In a statement pertaining to the matter, Chalos said:

Chalos, in explaining his stand, "Parks may be of many varieties such as amusement, picnic, recreational, conservation, etc. The spending of this money

to build a park in the proposed site, ISU Arena, would make it only an addition to the ISU Arena. In fact, it would only be landscaping for the Arena. The Arena will bear the name of other donors and distract from the intended use of this money. The willed money, I presume, was intended to memorialize and perpetuate the memory of the Brittlebank name.

"If this type of landscape park is built, it will be one of the most expensive parks in the city to maintain. The grass and flowers would need constant care, watering, and mowing. The grounds would have to be cleaned daily. The winter would mean that the city would have to keep the walkways snow free. Also, as in other cities, it would provide a haven for the home-

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Pete Chalos

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less and bedless in the summertime.

"Today we hear from many educated sources the need for more and better recreational facilities. We hear the need to plan for the future needs of the community. We are exhorted to provide for the youth of the country. Well, this gift gives to Terre Haute an opportunity to use the money for a practical recreational facility. There are no parks in the southeast, south central and Terre Town areas of Terre Haute. There are numerous uses that this money could be put to. Ice skating facilities amusement parks, children's parks and youth centers are just a few possibilities.

"We sympathize with ISU's fund drive but do not feel that the Brittlebank money should be used to provide part of the money ISU needs to landscape the arena.

"We hope the public will let the present council know how it feels about the Brittlebank money. It is the council's legal duty to put this money to its intended use of establishing a park to memorialize the Brittlebank family and to create a new facility for Terre Haute."

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS T-14

City Council Will Take Up Funds Transfer

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At his weekly press conference Monday at City Hall, Mayor Leland Larrison said that the main business before the city council at its regular meeting Wednesday night will be the transfer of funds for the purchase of 9.2 acres near City Hall and the courthouse for a future city-county building. The purchase price is \$387,000 from the Department of Redevelopment. Larrison said he thought all the paper work on this could be finished before the end of the year.

The Mayor said it was possible that the City Attorney might go to Indianapolis later this week to again protest the rate increase sought by General Telephone, during the final hearing conducted by the Indiana Public Service Commission on the matter. Larrison said he was pleased by the turnout at the hearing in City Hall last Thursday, but doubted that it would have much effect on the increase being granted.

Concerning city bus service, Larrison said he doubted if any administration could better the financial situation of this city-run utility. He also pointed out that the busses are getting older and he doubts if federal funds will be available to purchase more buses.

Larrison said that both he and the Street Department have received calls on condition of the streets in the vicinity of Blakely Ave. since the Fruit ridge Ave. overpass work has been in progress, and that he has instructed the Street Department to fix the streets in the area.

Concerning efforts to unionize city employees, Larrison said he understood that they have contracts but did not know whether all had been signed. He said he did not foresee any difficulties or increased costs to the city if employees belonged to a union.

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**Outgoing Council
Poses Problems**
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We believe the outgoing Republican city administration should start spending more time working with Democrats to insure a smooth transition, rather than hunting for ways to spend practically every nickel of available city funds.

Mayor-elect William J. Brighton has expressed concern about several big money projects the Republican-controlled City Council is trying to initiate in the final 30 days of the outgoing administration.

We think he has reason to be concerned.

Citizens of this community scrape hard to pay their taxes, and, in turn, expect sufficient thought to go into the expenditure of that money.

When the City Council meets Monday night we hope some of the more savvy GOP members like Councilman Lawrence Jones can talk sense into some of the others, especially when they consider the appropriations ordinance for a \$195,000 restaurant-cocktail lounge at the airport.

More discussion and study also is needed before they jump into a project in their last 30 days in office to spend the \$110,000 in the Brittlebank Trust Fund.

In addition, they should take a second look at their proposed appropriation ordinance which would transfer \$387,000 to purchase land for a city-county building that is not even on the drawing board.

A final decision on whether to build a city-county building will be coming in the four years of the Brighton administration. And that decision will come after Brighton spends hours of consultation with other involved governmental units. We don't think the current City Council should complicate his job by buying land now.

It's often said that haste makes waste. And there's also the problem of getting the cart ahead of the horse.

We hope our present lame duck City Council pauses and surveys the whole picture.

We're hoping their four-year term ends in a spirit of cooperation with the elected Democrats, which would insure a proper transition of power. If our leaders follow that course, our city will be better off in the long run.

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City Council

Community Affairs File

Council Gets Proposal on Unionization

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An ordinance to approve a proposal signed Tuesday to unionize Terre Haute city employees in the street, park, sewage and cemetery departments, is expected to be introduced at the regular meeting of the City Council tonight at 8 p.m.

It was reported that city officials and a representative of the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Local No. 144 had signed an agreement late Tuesday afternoon in the City Clerk's office, following several weeks of talks.

The proposed contract would increase the number of vacation days for veteran workers and would provide guidelines for the payment of overtime and holiday wages. A shift premium for night work is included, and promotions would be made on the basis of merit and seniority.

Clerical workers at City Hall, originally included in the union's efforts to organize city employees, would not be covered under the proposed agreement, according to City Attorney George Tofaute.

Outgoing Mayor Leland Larri-son, a Republican, successfully discouraged a similar move to organize city employees nearly four years ago, just after he

assumed office. He has apparently been supporting the present union effort, however, since his defeat in the Nov. 2 election.

Special Ordinance No. 58 will also be introduced Wednesday night by Councilman Kenneth Mier, proposing to make permanent the traffic pattern and controls at 25th and Ohio, the elongated traffic oval put into operation earlier this fall. Mier said that the ordinance provides for installation of permanent curbing and refilling the center intersection.

Appropriation Ordinance No. 20, providing \$195,000 for the Board of Aviation Commissioners, is also on the agenda. Special Ordinance No. 57, authorizing the sale of certain real estate owned by the City of Terre Haute, will also be considered. This would be the final step in the transfer of the Dresser School property to Kerman Grotto for \$9,500. The Grotto's bid had been accepted several weeks ago by the Board of Public Works and Safety.

Several minor appropriation ordinances are also listed on the agenda. The purchase of 9.2 acres of land from the Redevelopment Department for \$387,000 is expected to come up for second reading. It has been mentioned as the site of a future City-County building.

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Lame Duck

Proposal

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Denounced

Community Affairs File

By JAMES DRESSLER

Tribune Staff Writer

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Building trades unions in Terre Haute strongly oppose any agreement by the lame duck Larrison administration that would in any way recognize Teamsters Local 144 as the bargaining representative for city employees, it was announced Thursday.

The Central Wabash Valley Building and Construction Trades Council, in a telegram sent to appropriate officials Thursday, asked the outgoing City Council not to ratify any agreement with Teamsters Local 144.

The telegram, signed by Ralph Willham, president of the trades council, and James L. Taylor, recording secretary of the labor organization, said:

"We believe that the citizens have, by majority vote, removed the authority of the present city administration and they should not as lame ducks obligate or bind the new mayor and his administration to any agreement with any labor union as a last-minute deal.

"The building trades unions believe that the city employees should have an opportunity to consider other union representation besides the Teamsters. We do not approve of any 'sweet-heart deal' made to retain jobs for employees because of their political affiliation.

"We, therefore, respectfully request that the City Council not ratify any agreement with Teamsters Local 144."

Democratic Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton said Thursday he is opposed to the lame duck Republican administration, headed by outgoing Mayor Larrison, attempting to frustrate and interfere with his incoming administration, which has been charged with the responsibility of operating the city for the next four years.

"I'm not opposed to employees being organized," said Brighton, "but I am opposed to a lame duck administration attempting to come up with a last-minute deal, especially since they have opposed moves to organize employees for 3½ years.

"I also believe that on the basis that I was elected people think I ought to have a chance

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to appoint employees to certain positions and, therefore, I feel the actions of this outgoing administration are contrary to the will of the people in the city."

Put Before Council

An ordinance proposing that the City Council approve the action of the Board of Works in entering into a contract with the Teamsters to unionize some city employees was introduced Wednesday night. Then it was referred to committee.

A date for a special session to act on the ordinance has not been set yet by outgoing City Council President William J. Ennis.

It has been reported that Republican Mayor Leland Larrison, defeated in his bid for reelection, and other top members of his administration — City Attorney George Tofaute, City Controller Carl Price, and Ennis—are behind the last-minute ratification move. The Larrison-backed move includes employees of the street, park, sewage, and cemetery departments.

Three Republicans, Clyde Nattkemper, Lawrence Jones, and Warren Henderson were absent from Wednesday night's meeting when the ordinance was introduced.

Brighton, discussing the possible reason for the move by the lame duck Larrison administration, said, "It just seems to me the effort is to freeze the employees in their particular positions who were antagonistic toward my campaign for mayor. If they're forced on my administration, they will probably continue to be antagonistic.

"I think I should have the prerogative of putting people who I think are competent in these positions," Brighton concluded.

In other City Council action Wednesday night, an ordinance seeking to appropriate \$195,000 for the Board of Aviation Commissioners to build a new restaurant facility at Hulman Field was postponed for lack of a committee report.

The appropriation ordinance, submitted by Ennis at the request of the board, was up for final reading, but the council committee report lacked the needed number of signatures to

bring it before the council.

Although Ennis submitted the measure he was one of the committee members who did not sign the report, and the ordinance will presumably die in committee unless it is resurrected in a special session before the end of the year.

The council also voted 6-0 to authorize the sale of the Dresser School property to the German Grotto for the sum of \$9,500. The school became the property of the city earlier in the year when it was vacated by the Vigo County School Corporation when the new West Vigo Elementary School was completed.

An ordinance authorizing the mayor to execute the contract for the purchase of 9.2 acres of land from the Department of Redevelopment for \$387,000 was also submitted for first reading.

The council appropriated the money for the purchase earlier this month during a special session. The land purchase would secure a part of the Community Center Urban Renewal Area, which is located adjacent to the Vigo County Courthouse and City Hall.

The 9.2 acres involved lies north of the courthouse and west of city hall, between Cherry and Ohio Sts. and First and Third Sts. The property is reportedly intended as the site of a city-county building at some future date.

Also, the council by a 6-0 vote, passed an ordinance providing for the erection of a pedestrian control light at the alley south of Liberty and north of Cleveland Ave., into the entrance of K mart shopping center. It also passed three appropriation ordinances involving a total of \$1,050 for city departments.

Other new ordinances introduced pertained to amending the bicycle code, and changing the traffic pattern and controls at 25th St. and Ohio Blvd.

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City Council - T.H.

Action to

Be Taken

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By JAMES DRESSLER

Tribune Staff Writer

Mayor-elect William J. Brighton said Friday his administration will take whatever steps are necessary to stop the lame duck Larrison administration from freezing jobs of city employees "antagonistic toward our incoming administration."

Brighton, a Democrat, said lawyers are studying the situation to determine what should be done if the outgoing City Council ratifies a unionization agreement between the Larrison administration and Teamsters Local 144, which would affiliate present employees of the street, park, sewage and cemetery departments with the Teamsters.

While there have been reports that a special session of the City Council will be called next Wednesday to act on the proposed ordinance, City Clerk L. Schuman Hunter said Friday morning that an official call for a special session has not been made yet. Hunter noted that the call would have to be made at least 24 hours before a special meeting.

City Councilman Lawrence Jones, a Republican, who is the veteran member of the City Council and former president of the body, said he has reservations about the last-minute effort to unionize the employees.

While he said he hasn't made up his mind definitely as to how he'll vote, Jones said, "If they (the city employees) want to be unionized, that's their business, but I don't like the way this is

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Job-Freeze

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being handled. I just don't like the circumstances and don't think it's the right thing to do on a last-minute basis."

Reports indicate the move to unionize the employees in the last days of the Republican administration is being spearheaded by Mayor Larrison, who leaves office Dec. 31; Mose Kassis, the mayor's administrative assistant and chief political advisor; City Attorney George Tofaute, City Controller Carl Price, and City Council President Ennis.

Just Thursday, the agreement between the Larrison administration and Teamsters Local 144, came in for criticism from the Central Wabash Valley Building and Construction Trades Council.

The building trades unions asked the outgoing City Council not to ratify any agreement with Teamsters Local 144, noting that "the building trades unions believe that the city employees should have an opportunity to consider other union representation besides the Teamsters. We do not approve of any 'sweetheart deal' made to retain jobs for employees because of their political affiliation."

Brighton, in discussing his stand on the issue, said, "I'm not opposed to employees being organized, but I am opposed to a lame duck administration attempting to come up with a last-minute deal, especially when that same administration has opposed moves to organize employees for over 3½ years."

Ratification of the agreement will require the votes of five of the nine members of the City Council. There are seven Republicans and two Democrats. Since the two Democrats already are on record opposing the move, the Larrison administration will have to pick up the votes of five of the seven Republicans.

While picking up five of the seven votes usually is only a formality, some observers feel it will take some work on the part of Larrison since some of the councilmen, in addition to Jones, have some reservations about the move at this late date.

Community Affairs File

Injunction

T.H. City Council

Sought in

DEC 24 1971

Union Effort

By JAMES DRESSLER
Tribune Staff Writer

Two city employees took legal action Tuesday to prevent the lame duck City Council from ratifying a letter of recognition signed by Mayor Leland Larrison and others on the Board of Works to recognize Teamsters Local 144 as sole bargaining agent for employees in four city departments.

The complaint filed in Vigo Circuit Court requested an immediate order and a permanent injunction.

Vigo Circuit Judge C. Joseph Anderson had until 4 p.m. to read the complaint and act on it.

The plaintiffs, Carl Elledge and William P. Ellinger, both employees of the sewage disposal department, are presented by attorneys Verl G. Miller and Eric Frey.

In filing the complaint, Attorney Miller said, "We'll take this up to the highest court in the land if we have to because

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we've got the law with us. What they're trying to do is illegal."

The plaintiffs contend the agreement entered into by the Board of Works and Teamsters Local 144 is "null and void."

Earlier Tuesday, Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton said he is concerned with the apparent attempt of the outgoing Republican administration to frustrate and interfere with his incoming administration.

Brighton directed much of his criticism toward the mayor's chief political advisor, Mose Kassis, who has held the title of administrative assistant and housing inspector for the

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last four years.

"It appears to me," said Brighton, "that the mayor is not the one making all these moves. He has fought unionization of municipal employees for 3½ years. It appears to me that Mose Kassis is now trying to save a portion of his Republican political machine."

"It just seems to me that is Mose (Kassis) really to run this city, he should not do it from an appointive post but should put his name on the ballot like any other mayoral candidate and give the people the opportunity to accept or reject him like anyone else."

"Earlier Tuesday, Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton criticized the action of the outgoing Larrison administration."

"And, in my opinion, he does not have the right to run this city until that is done."

In addition to trying to hold all of the municipal employees under a union contract situation, Brighton said he understands Larrison and Kassis also have offered five-year contracts to administrative heads such as the bus company manager and the head of the housing authority.

In the complaint filed in Vigo Circuit Court Tuesday for declaratory judgment, the plaintiffs asked Vigo Circuit Judge Anderson to decide the legality of the Board of Works of the City of Terre Haute in recognizing Local 144 of the Teamsters as the sole bargaining agent for municipal employees in the sewage, cemetery, street and park departments.

The plaintiffs contend the agreement entered into by the Board of Works and Teamsters Local 144 is illegal.

In addition, the plaintiffs requested the immediate restraining order to stop the City Council and all other city officials from taking any action at a special meeting to ratify in any manner the questionable agreement between the Board of Works and Teamsters Local 144, which the plaintiffs contend is illegal and void.

Further, the complaint requests that after a final hearing is held, a permanent injunction be ordered enjoining city officials from entering into any agreement not provided by law.

COUNCIL

Could Bring Contempt of Court Charge

DEC 22 1971 By JAMES DRESSLER
Tribune Staff Writer

There is a possibility the Terre Haute City Council tonight will defy a temporary restraining order issued Tuesday by Vigo Circuit Judge C. Joseph Anderson to halt the unionization of city employees before a Jan. 3 hearing.

City Council President William E. Ennis, one of those spearheading the move to unionize employees in four city departments, said it will be up to the entire City Council to decide whether to obey the restraining order or disregard it.

"As far as I know, I haven't been officially restrained," said Ennis. "They left a copy at my house, but no one gave one to me."

If Ennis and others on the City Council disregard the court order, they could be subject to a contempt of court citation.

Even if the City Council bypasses the unionization matter, Ennis noted that there are several other items on the agenda for the special meeting.

When asked if he had the necessary five Republican City Council votes to get the unionization matter passed, Ennis declined to make a prediction.

In discussing the controversial issue, Ennis said he questions the right of a court to prohibit action by a legislative body.

The temporary restraining order issued by Judge Anderson came as a result of a complaint filed by two city employees to block City Council ratification of a letter of recognition signed by Mayor Leland Larrison recognizing Teamster Local 144 as sole bargaining agent for employees in four city departments.

The plaintiffs are Carlyle Elledge and William P. Ellinger, both employees of the city's sewage disposal works.

The complaint filed Tuesday for the plaintiffs by attorneys Verl G. Miller and Eric A. Frey claimed in part that "the city does not have the legal power and statutory authority

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to enter into or ratify a collective bargaining contract which prescribes terms and conditions of employment for municipal employees."

The suit cites Indiana statutes which it claims were violated by the attempted agreement and called upon the court for a judgment declaring the collective bargaining contract null and void.

Judge Anderson, after granting the temporary restraining order, set a hearing for 10 a.m. on Jan. 3.

The move by the lame duck Larrison administration has drawn heat from Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton and the Central Wabash Valley Building and Construction Trades Council.

"Four years ago," Brighton said, "the Democrats did not perform this kind of political trickery when the Republicans were elected. Our party lost in good graces and gave them (the

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Republican) an opportunity on the basis of the will of the voters to operate the city of Terre Haute.

"And, now all I'm asking is an opportunity to carry out the wishes of the city of Terre Haute. I don't think the Republicans are being fairly.

"If the elected officials of this city are dissatisfied with my administration after four years, they'll vote me out of office just like they have this lame duck Larrison administration.

"I do believe I should be given an opportunity to serve without the harassment we've had from the outgoing administration in the last few weeks.

"These Republicans voted out of office in the recent election seem to me to be the poorest losers we've had in a long, long time in this city."

The building trades unions last week urged the City Council to oppose any agreement between Larrison and Teamsters Local 144.

The buildings trades unions, in a statement, said, "The building trades unions believe that the city employees should have an opportunity to consider other union representation besides the

Teamsters. We do not approve of any 'sweetheart deal' made to retain jobs for employees because of their political affiliation."

Defendants in Tuesday's Circuit Court complaint, in addition to Mayor Larrison, include City Engineer John Byrne, City Controller Carl Price, City Attorney George B. Tofaute, all members of the Board of Works and Safety; City Clerk L. Schuman Hunter; Local No. 144, Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America; George L. Hanks, as president of Local 144, and all members of the City Council.

Brighton Pleased Council Left Unionization Open

By JAMES DRESSLER
Tribune Staff Writer

Mayor-elect William J. (Bill) Brighton said Thursday he is pleased the lame duck Republican City Council postponed action on an ordinance to ratify a recent agreement unionizing city employees in four departments.

Brighton said, "I think in their own conscience, they (the councilmen) apparently did what they thought was right and are to be commended for it.

"It's apparently held over for our administration to take action on, and this, of course, was our aim from the beginning when we found out they (the Larrison administration) were trying to organize municipal employees.

"It's our prerogative rather than this lame duck administration."

Prior to Wednesday night's meeting of the City Council, William E. Ennis, president, said there was a possibility the councilmen would disregard a court restraining order and ratify the agreement.

Yet, when the chips were down, six councilmen voted to postpone action on the matter, which leaves it for the Brighton

administration to make a decision on next month.

Only Ennis and another Republican councilman, Kenneth Mier, opposed the motion to postpone action on the unionization ordinance. One councilman was absent.

City Councilman Lawrence Jones, a Republican, ended 12 years of service at the special session.

It was Jones who made the motion to postpone the unionization matter.

"I think it was something that should have been studied extensively before any action was

taken," said Jones. "Really, I didn't think that they were right to be unionizing from the standpoint of the benefit of the citizens of this city. Of course, if they (the employees) wanted it, it was up to them."

Jones said City Attorney George Tofaute advised members of the City Council they could be held in contempt of court if the councilmen regarded the restraining order issued by Vigo Circuit Judge Joseph Anderson.

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Unionization

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best choice was to postpone action," Jones said.

Judge Anderson Tuesday issued the restraining order barring the councilmen from taking further action on the union proposal as a result of a complaint filed by two city employees to block the agreement.

Judge Anderson has set a hearing on the injunction suit for 10 a.m. on Jan. 3.

The ordinance, which was spearheaded by Mayor Leland Larrison and other members of the Board of Works, would have ratified a contract agreement signed by Larrison a week ago with representatives of the Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers Local No. 144. The contract covered the street, park, sewage, and cemetery departments.

At Wednesday night's meeting, attorney Eric Frey who represented two city employees opposing the agreement, cited points in the plaintiff's injunction suit, which claims in part "the city does not have the legal power and statutory authority to enter into or ratify a collective bargaining contract which prescribes terms and conditions of employment for municipal employees."

In other City Council action Wednesday night, an ordinance seeking to appropriate \$195,000 for the Board of Aviation Commissioners to build a new restaurant facility at Hulman Field was stricken from the record by a vote of 7-1. Councilman Mier opposed the move to strike the measure.

The council also voted 7-1, with Councilman Eugene Chermay voting no, to authorize the mayor to execute the contract for the purchase of 9.2 acres of land from the Department of Redevelopment for \$387,000.

The City Council appropriated the money for the purchase earlier this month during a special session. The land purchase will secure a part of the Community Center Urban Renewal Area, which is located adjacent to the Vigo County Courthouse and City Hall.

The 9.2-acre tract lies north of the courthouse and West of city hall and is reportedly intended as the site of a city-county building at some future date.

Two other routine ordinances were approved Wednesday night. General Ordinance No. 6 passed 8-0 to amend the section of the city code covering bicycles, providing for registration of bicycles and setting safety regulations governing them.

Special Ordinance No. 59, was passed 7-1 ratifying and approving the action of the Board of Works and Safety in entering into a contract for ornamental street lighting service with Public Service Indiana.

Community Affairs

Lame Duck' City Council Acts on Purchase of Land

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The Terre Haute "Lame Duck" City Council took the first step toward purchase of a 5.2-acre tract of land from the city's Redevelopment Department at the regular meeting Wednesday night.

An appropriation ordinance was introduced, transferring \$387,000 from the general fund for use by the Board of Works and Safety for purchase of the land located adjacent to the Vigo County Courthouse and City Hall, for possible future use as the site of a city-county building.

The tract, in the Community Center Urban Renewal Area, lies north of the courthouse and west of city hall, between Cherry and Ohio Sts. and 1st and 3rd Sts.

According to Council president William J. Ennis, the measure was introduced to secure the entire package for future use as a governmental complex. The land is dedicated for this use only, Ennis continued, and will not be used unless local or federal government does so.

County officials and those in the Vigo County School Corporation have expressed some interest in a governmental complex in the area. The school corporation, which has tentative plans to construct an administration building in the future, has often been mentioned as part of the governmental complex which may eventually be built. Thus far, only informal discussions have been held by representatives of the various units.

Another appropriation ordinance requesting \$195,000 for the Board of Aviation Commissioners to build a new restaurant facility at Hulman Field was also introduced at Wednesday night's meeting.

Both appropriation ordinances will come up again next month, at the year's final meeting of the present council.

A short-order lunch room is in operation at the field, but Aviation Commissioner Herman Brown said the board would like to build a more impressive facility.

Brown said the board believes such a dining room, capable of seating around 300 persons, would improve the image of the city for incoming visitors, especially company representatives flying in to explore the possibility of locating plant operations here.

He said, too, that the airport location would provide a good atmosphere for drawing diners from the local community. The plans for the facility call for construction of a two-story fa-

cility with windows on one entire side looking out on the field.

Other city council action Wednesday night included the passage of eight special ordinances placing stop signs or traffic signals at various intersection throughout the city. Nine resolutions making routine inter-departmental money transactions were also approved.

A rezoning ordinance, which would have changed the classification of the southeast corner of 24th St. and Ft. Harrison Rd. from residential to commercial

zoning, was defeated by a 7-2 vote.

More than 30 persons attended the public session Wednesday night—four of them newly elected city officials who will take office in January. Andrew Atelski, who defeated present City Clerk L. Schuman Hunter for the post, was in the audience.

Also attending the public session were three newly elected city councilmen. They are Kenneth Thomas, fifth district; Eugene Butts, sixth district; and Thomas Lenahan, councilman at large.

INDIANA ROOM

Vigo County Public Library

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Kassis Wins Vacancy: Council Pledges Park

TERRE HAUTE STAR

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Community Affairs File

During a brief special session of the Terre Haute City Council Wednesday evening, a local realtor was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board of Redevelopment Trustees, and a resolution pledging the Julius

Brittlebank Trust Funds for the establishment of a downtown park was approved.

George Kassis, a partner in the Courthouse Realty Co., was appointed by a unanimous vote to fill the unexpired term of the late Ben Blumberg on the board of Redevelopment Trustees. The trustees will hold their annual meeting Dec. 6, as required by law. At that time they will appoint the five redevelopment commissioners for the next year.

The resolution authorizing the purchase of downtown property for the establishment of a park as part of the University Civic Amphitheater passed 5-2. Councilmen Eugene Chernay and Leonard Kirchner voted against the measure.

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A motion to strike the resolution from the record, entered by Kirchner and seconded by Chernay, failed by a vote of 2-5. Councilmen Eugene Trummel and Clyde Nattkemper were absent.

The Brittlebank bequest is part of the estate of the late Julius Brittlebank, a former Terre Haute resident, and amounts to about \$100,000. The

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cities of Charleston and Mt. Vernon, Ill. also received similar amounts in 1968. The money must be used for development of a park according to terms of the will.

Officials from Indiana State University met more than a year ago with Mayor Leland Larrison to discuss the possibility of the city's taking a hand in developing such a park in conjunction with the civic amphitheater.

Larrison said the proposed park will be developed between Eighth and Ninth Streets from Wabash Avenue north to the civic center property.

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Below is the text of the resolution setting aside the Brittlebank money for the new park:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Terre Haute, that the Julius Brittlebank Trust Funds in the keeping of the City of Terre Haute, be hereby pledged for the purposes as required under the last will and testament of Julius Brittlebank as given to the City of Terre Haute, and as accepted by the City of Terre Haute, to purchase real estate in the City of Terre Haute, and for the further purposes of perpetually maintaining a public park to the memory of the said Julius Brittlebank in the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, on real estate to be a part of the complex commonly known and referred to as the University Civic Amphitheater.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, undertake negotiations with the appropriate representatives of Indiana State University in the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, to finalize the purchase of real estate in the immediate vicinity of the University Civic Amphitheater site, completing such transactions as soon as practicable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, undertake and complete all necessary

things providing for the use of the moneys herein indicated for the purposes herein specified all to promote the civic interest and betterment of the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, in the establishment of such public park and the furtherance of the University Civic Amphitheater project for the citizens of the City.

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In other city council action Wednesday evening, Special Ordinance No. 57 was introduced seeking approval of the sale of the Dresser School property by the Board of Public Works and Safety to the Kerman Grotto for \$9,500.

The Dresser property reverted to the city under terms of the original deed after the Vigo County School Corporation closed the school at the end of the 1971 school year.

Another special meeting of the council has been scheduled for Monday to consider passage of two appropriation ordinances totaling more than half a million dollars.

One of the measures would earmark \$387,000 from the General Fund for use by the Board of Public Works and Safety to purchase a 9.2-acre tract of land from the Department of Redevelopment. The property would eventually be used for governmental offices.

The other appropriation ordinance would make possible the construction of a dining room facility at the Hulman Field terminal at a cost of \$197,000.

City Council Expected to Pass Budget

By CAROLYN TOOPS
Tribune Staff Writer

Approval of the 1972 budget for the City of Terre Haute is expected to be granted by the Common Council when it meets in special session at 8 o'clock tonight at City Hall.

In addition to passing the budget, the Council will also consider Special Ordinance No. 37, pertaining to the rezoning of the Garfield High School property, which was recently purchased by the J. B. Pfister Co. The rezoning request from single family to planned unit development was postponed from the council's Aug. 18 meeting.

An appropriation ordinance asking \$180,000 from the Roads and Streets Fund for the Margaret Avenue Improvement Project will be up before the council for second reading. Margaret Avenue is to be resurfaced and widened from 25th St. to the east city limits.

Two new ordinances will be introduced Monday night. One would rezone property at 2344 Sycamore St. and other would repeal special ordinance No. 14, which affects parking and traffic at 13th and Liberty Avenues.

Budget requests in the city general fund total \$4,304,313. Earlier, in two public hearings, the only budget cut recommended by the Council, meeting as the committee of the whole, was \$4,500 to remergency ambulance service. A similar amount was included in the 1971 budget to pay for a contract agreement with the now defunct DeLong Ambulance Service, which was closed by the Internal Revenue Service earlier this year.

Neither of the two firms, Terre Haute Ambulance and Chambers and Hurt, now providing emergency ambulance service, has requested a subsidy from city or county.

At the July 28 hearing on the budget, the request of \$22,690 from the Department of Redevelopment came up for con-

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siderable discussion, but was finally approved by a vote of 5 to 3 when the council met a week later on Aug. 4.

At that time they heard an explanation of the request from Golby C. Uhlir, executive director of the Redevelopment Department, who said that \$15,000 would be earmarked for temporary salaries necessary to maintain the department during the last half of 1972.

During this time, according to Uhlir, no federal funds will be available to his office.

During the two budget hearings conducted by the Council, no official action could be taken. Tonight's meeting is a statutory requirement, with passage of the 1972 budget required by the last Monday in August.

The proposed city budget now stands at \$4,303,313, about \$165,000 more than last year's. Earlier City Controller Carl Price had estimated that the tax rate would be about \$3.77 per hundred dollars assessed valuation, if this amount is approved by the Council. The 1972 rate will probably be about 25 cents higher than that for 1971.

The city's assessed valuation is about \$2.3 million less than in 1970, another factor in the anticipated higher tax rate.

Nearly \$150,000 of the anticipated increase in the 1972 city budget is attributed to wage increases granted to members of the police and fire departments, as well as to all city employes with the exception of elected officials.

A \$300 across-the-board increase and an extra \$2,000 clothing allowance for the city's 109 policemen and 148 firemen will go into effect Jan. 1, 1972. The \$500 increase for each man amounts to \$128,500.

Another \$20,000 of the increase includes yearly increases of \$240 to the 32 salaried employes of the city in addition to increases averaging 10 cents an hour to hourly employes.

Other significant increases in the proposed budget for the coming year include an expected \$75,000 hike in the cost of public utilities, a \$35,000 increase for electricity and a \$30,000 hike for water usage.

Meanwhile, decisions strongly affecting the tax rate for Vigo County will be made Tuesday, Sept. 7 at the annual budget review session of the Vigo County Council.

Budgets totaling \$8.3 million will be considered by the county funding body. Last year's proposed total of \$8.2 million, for comparison, was finally cut to about \$7 million.

However, County Council president J. Arthur Mann has indicated the seven-member group probably will not cut the budget as severely as the last two years.

Mann has called attention to the fact that despite heavy cuts in recent years, taxes have continued to increase. He added he feels it is the county's turn to get a more proportionate share of the tax dollar.

County councilmen already have been studying individual budget requests and Mann says the council will be ready to make necessary cuts at the Sept. 7 session.

Budgets of all governmental units in the county will be subject of review and possible cuts by the Vigo County Tax Adjustment Board when it begins a week-long session Sept. 13.

The State Board of Tax Commissioners will conduct the final review of local budgets before the 1972 tax rate is finally determined.

Council Studies Budget for '72

The Terre Haute City Council, meeting Wednesday night as a committee of the whole in a work session on the 1972 city budget, recommended approval of most of the general fund requests totaling \$4,304,313.

They delayed action, however, on the \$22,690 request of the Department of Redevelopment until a similar meeting next Wednesday. Opposition to the department's budget was led by Third District Councilman Kenneth Mier, but most of the councilmen in attendance voiced objection to the proposal at one point or another.

Goldby C. Uhlir, executive director of the Redevelopment Department, said that \$15,000 would go for temporary salaries necessary to carry through a projected time period during the last half of 1972 in which no federal money would be available to his office.

The budget hearing, conducted by Councilman Lawrence R. Jones, chairman of the council's finance committee, got under way following a brief special council meeting conducted by Vice President James Cook on a pending rezoning proposal.

The council voted 7-0 to approve an amended version of Special Ordinance No. 33, which would rezone property at 2301 S. 7th St., from R-1 residential to C-2 commercial, to permit Wayne Manuel to establish a photographer's studio. The amendment stipulated, however, that the property would revert to the original R-1 classification in the event the studio should cease to exist.

Opposition to the rezoning measure had been expressed by several residents of the area

and HELP (Housewives Effort for Local Progress) at the regular council meeting last week.

As submitted to the council by City Controller Carl Price, the 1972 city budget amounts to approximately \$170,000 more than the 1971 budget. Nearly \$150,000 is attributable to wage increases approved for police and fire departments effective Jan. 1, 1972. These include a \$300 across the board wage increase, plus a \$200 clothing allowance.

Yearly increases of \$240 for the 32 salaried employees of the city and increases averaging 10 cents per hour to hourly employees will amount to about \$20,000.

Besides the Redevelopment Department's request, the only other budget cut recommended by the council-of-the-whole was deletion of a request for \$4,500 for emergency ambulance service. A similar amount was included in the 1971 budget to pay for a contract agreement with the now defunct DeLong Ambulance service, which was closed by the International Revenue Service earlier this year.

City Controller Price predicted a rate amounting to \$3.79 for each \$100 of assessed valuation. He added that the rate, an increase of 27 cents on the dollar over 1971, might go down if the budget is cut.

A sizable decrease in taxable property in the city also will be a factor in the 1972 tax rate increase, Price said. The assessed property evaluation in the city dropped more than 2.3 million dollars in 1971, according to property valuation in the city figures released Tuesday by the County Auditor.

That drop can be attributed to the demolition of several large buildings on Wabash Avenue, and to the loss of taxable property through urban renewal projects Price said.

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Council to Act On Removal Of 'Corral'

Controls at the controversial "corral" intersection of 25th and Ohio Sts., is one of many major matters of public interest expected to see action in the near future.

Action and cooperation might be termed the key words in Terre Haute prospects as the new city administration and council jointly seek answers to problems, according to statements from Mayor William J. Brighton and several councilmen.

Proposed answers to several problems, including the crossing at 25th and Ohio Sts., are expected to figure prominently in next Thursday evening's city council meeting.

Mayor Brighton has said that he hopes for a solution to the eastside intersection question, as well as other matters, before the end of the month. Both administrative and council sources report that intensive and exten-

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troversial crossing and will resolve the problem with a cooperative approach making use of city, county, state and federal resources. The efforts of the Area Planning Department are expected to be a key factor in that action.

Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser reports that some important Council rules changes, action on the Bicycle Ordinance vetoed by former Mayor Larrison, discussion of traffic controls other than that at 25th and Ohio Sts., and efforts to " . . . give the public more participation in Council affairs . . . " will be among other matters to come before the nine-man body next week.

Meanwhile, this week, officials continue consideration of proposals advanced thus far and seek to overcome what was described as a " . . . last ditch effort by the outgoing administration and council . . . " to make a change at 25th and Ohio Sts. more difficult.

Referring to the "traffic circle" at that intersection, Councilman John "Pete" Lamb said:

"The previous administration put this into operation and when they learned it was one of our plans to do more extensive research on this program . . . they immediately passed an emergency ordinance which allowed them to make it more difficult for this administration to make changes."

His comments related to the removal of traffic light stands at the intersection on Christmas Eve. An eyewitness said that workers under the previous administration of Mayor Larrison removed the standards and filled the outlets with concrete.

"We're not changing simply to make a change, but to bring about a real improvement in safety and traffic flow at that intersection," Lamb said.

"Extensive survey work has been done on this intersection which has one of the highest accident rates. The previous administration made the change without consulting any other groups."

"We want to investigate all avenues of approach and then make a real improvement," Lamb said. " . . . the city has available, without any cost, the services of the Area Planning Department of Vigo County which has done a tremendous amount of research on this and other traffic questions."

Lamb went on to note that assistance, both in information and financial aid, is expected from the state and pointed out that the Area Planning Department is a county agency financed largely with federal funds.

Concerning other matters expected in next week's Council meeting, Neaderhiser said he anticipates the group will sustain the veto of the Bicycle Ordinance. He said the ordinance as proposed was not prac-



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Affairs File

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Petition Asks Removal of George Kassis

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Community Affairs File

The last-minute appointment of George Kassis to the Terre Haute Board of Redevelopment by a lame duck city council has been challenged by eight new Democratic councilmen and Mayor William Brighton.

City Attorney Verl G. Miller filed a petition Jan. 7 in Vigo Circuit Court asking that Kassis, brother of Mose Kassis, administrative assistant to former mayor Leland Larrison, be removed from the board.

Kassis, who is in the real estate business, was appointed in early December, 1971, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Benjamin Blumberg last April.

The petition to remove cites three reasons for the action: 1. that the appointment was for longer than the term permitted by law; 2. that the oath of office was not taken and subscribed in the usual form, and 3. that Kassis has publicly and consistently opposed urban development in Terre Haute, and has attempted to organize opposition to redevelopment.

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Council Considers Traffic Changes

A change in the traffic pattern at 7th and Walnut Sts. may be the chief topic of City Council consideration at Thursday night's meeting at City Hall.

Another traffic measure, proposed change of the "corral" at 25th and Ohio Sts., may see some discussion, but action on that matter is expected to await further research looking toward "... real improvement, not just a change," according to Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser.

Still another matter of high public interest, dealing with unionization of city employees, is expected to remain dormant, as far as the Council is concerned, until court action on an injunction filed in Vigo Circuit Court last month is resolved. Dismissal of the suit approved by the court was later withdrawn when it was found that earlier change of venue proceedings took precedence and had to be completed before other petitions could be considered.

The ordinance proposing change in the traffic pattern on Walnut St., filed by Councilman Thomas Lenahan, restores parking on both sides of Walnut St. and two lanes of moving traffic, instead of the three lanes cur-

rently provided, for a distance of about 100 feet east of the one-way street intersection with S. 7th St.

Lenahan says the three-lane provision is not only outmoded, but hazardous, noting that it was created to meet heavy pedestrian traffic to and from Wiley High School. Since the school was eliminated, the heavy pedestrian traffic no longer exists, the councilman observed.

He went on to say that the existing three-lane arrangement east of 7th St., narrowing to two lanes west of the intersection, is particularly hazardous to motorists in the right lane who attempt to continue straight ahead to the west. If a car in the center lane (east of the intersection) does not immediately pull to the left lane after crossing the intersection, the motorist in the right lane has no place to go except the northside parking lane which may have vehicles legally parked and blocking that route, according to one assessment of the existing provisions.

The new ordinance also calls

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for installation of parking meters at the restored parking spaces. Lenahan says the ordinance represents fulfillment of a campaign promise given prior to his election as a freshman member of the city legislative body.

Other business on Thursday evening's City Council agenda includes what was described by Councilman John "Pete" Lamb, who also serves as Mayor William Brighton's administrative assistant, as "... routine traffic measures and transfers of funds."

He noted that several resolutions on funds represent the transfer of funds only and not new appropriations. He observed further that one of the measures is to provide for payments of sewer bonds interest which the outgoing Council failed to appropriate.

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City Council Commends Brighton on Vice Action

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Commendation of Mayor William J. Brighton's order closing houses of prostitution was voted Thursday night at City Hall by members of the Terre Haute Common Council.

The regular meeting, attended by about 30 people, saw two emergency ordinances passed in the single session; to change the

traffic pattern at 7th and Walnut Sts., and to post stop signs on N. 11th St. at the Linden St. intersection.

Councilmen also did away with two holdover measures, condemned as last minute efforts by the former Council to obstruct the new administration, and approved three resolutions transferring funds.

Council Vice President Pete Chalos introduced the commendation to Mayor Brighton on his action against vice, adopted by the nine-member body before the regular agenda was entered.

Councilman Thomas Lenahan introduced the traffic ordinance regarding the 7th and Walnut intersection, restoring parking and two lanes of traffic, instead of three, just east of the crossing.

The city legislative body suspended rules to allow passage in the one session of both, that measure, and the ordinance calling for stop signs on N. 11th St. at Linden St.

The latter measure had been filed by Councilman Kenneth Thomas who said it was in response to numerous complaints of fast traffic through the intersection just one block east of Collett School.

Two holdover ordinance proposals quickly dispatched by the new Council in its first regular session had to do with a union agreement for some city employes between the former administration of Mayor Leland Larrison and Teamsters Local No. 144, and former Councilman Kenneth Mier's "pornography ordinance" proposal.

Both were unanimously stricken from Council records in Thursday night's action. Council ratification of the union agreement was canceled on a motion by Councilman William Jarvis, seconded by Councilman Eugene Trummel, the sole Republican and only member of the former Council remaining on the panel.

Meanwhile, an injunction suit against the agreement, filed in Vigo Circuit Court, awaits change of venue proceedings which apparently will take the litigation out of the county before a dismissal motion can receive court ruling.

Mier's ordinance called for the prohibition of the sale or loan of pornographic material and the exhibition of indecent presentations of motion pictures or sound recordings by city statute, but Councilman Eugene Butts, who is also an investigator for the county prosecutor's office, pointed out that such a city statute is unnecessary because it duplicates state and federal statutes.

During discussion of the motion, Councilman John Lamb called the ordinance "an effort to embarrass this administration by making it appear that we are voting for pornography if we vote it down." The measure

was stricken 9-0.

Three resolutions approving routine money transfers from one account to another within various city departments were also adopted by the council.

Councilman Jarvis, chairman of the Traffic and Transportation Committee, also entered a committee report suggesting that the Mayor and the president of the council meet with railroad officials in an attempt to iron out problems with railroad traffic tieups and rough crossings in the city.

The council voted unanimously to approve such action, and the two city officials, in addition to Lamb, who is also the Mayor's administrative assistant, were authorized to begin talks with officials of the railways located in the city.

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New Ordinance
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To Be Topic
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By JACK HUGHES
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A new ordinance to permit and encourage "... proper development of the 'town house' concept in local homebuilding

..." was the chief item on Thursday's City Council agenda as of Wednesday, according to Councilman at-large John "Pete" Lamb, administrative assistant to Mayor William J. Brighton.

Noting that the measure is "... rather complex," Lamb reported that the simplest way to describe its intent is to say that it will amend existing codes to permit the "town house" type of real estate development currently growing in metropolitan areas. Lamb went on to say that the purpose is "not limited to that concept, quoting language of Special Ordinance No. 5 which states, "The Plan-

ned Unit Development District is designed to encourage innovative and creative design and facilitate use of the most advantageous construction techniques in the development of land."

Councilman Lamb observed that some existing provisions of local law restrict construction in many areas to the conventional single or two-family dwelling with one unit per city lot and a given amount of space between dwellings.

He said the new measure, submitted by Councilman Thomas Lenahan, will permit construc-

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tion of the more modern multi-family buildings in a few areas and will include requirements to insure that matters of off street parking and room for outdoor recreation are not neglected.

The description of the Planned Unit Development District in the ordinance proposal states, "The district provides more flexibility in land use regulations by consolidating the procedures of the subdivision regulations and the amendment procedures of the zoning ordinance."

"The district regulations will insure ample provision for efficient use of open space, promote high standards in the design and construction of developments, and further the purposes of the comprehensive plan."

The statement of intent continues, "The Planned Unit Development District will permit the developer to propose a total development plan which can be considered as to its overall merits under a unified procedure."

The ordinance proposal, consisting of a dozen pages detailing the establishment of the district proposed and limitations of development, seeks to amend the "Zoning Code of Part Eleven Designated as 'Planning and Zoning Code' of the Municipal Code of Terre Haute, Indiana, 1964, said code being established by Ordinance No. 1, 1964."

Uses permitted in Planned Unit Residential Development are three-fold, according to the ordinance proposal which lists the following: a) Dwelling units in detached, semi-detached, attached, or multi-storied structures, or any combination thereof; and,

b) Non-residential uses of a religious, cultural, recreational and commercial character to the extent they are designed and intended to serve the residents of the Planned Unit Residential Development.

c) No commercial use, nor any building devoted primarily to a commercial use, shall be built or established prior to the residential buildings or uses it is designed or intended to serve."

'Town House' Ordinance Before City Councilmen

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The "town house" ordinance proposal reported in Wednesday's Tribune was introduced to the City Council Thursday evening by Councilman Thomas Lenahan who submitted the measure prepared by the Area Planning Department of Vigo County.

Lenahan and John Sheehan, of the county planning agency, report that the Planned Unit Development District proposal is designed to encourage the development of multi-family dwellings within the city while insuring that developers give proper attention to the out-of-door needs of such residences.

It is pointed out that the conventional apartment building development in the past has not always provided adequate off-street parking and recreation facilities for apartment dwellers. Special Ordinance No. 5 requires that provision be made for these and other needs, including attention to attractive landscaping.

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to us that the development is not going to be detrimental to the surrounding neighborhood."

Both Sheehan and Lenahan, who have worked closely to put the proposed measure together, report that the ordinance will provide a way for city officials to oversee total residential environment, not just individual housing construction. Both agree that the ordinance provisions should also provide a vehicle for orderly urban growth instead of haphazard urban sprawl

which plagues many American cities.

The county planner says 42 percent of all real estate within Terre Haute remains undeveloped, although citizens and public officials continue to fret over the lack of adequate housing.

The councilman pointed out that City Council efforts to encourage this kind of residential development, known in urban planning circles as planned unit

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development districts, should provide a number of other benefits to the community, in addition to relieving the housing shortage.

Lenahan claims the planned unit development would cut down on property taxes by placing some of the burden for providing parks and other recreational facilities upon the real estate developer instead of the local government.

Slum lords would also be forced out of business by such developments, according to Lenahan, and Terre Haute's image as a second rate city would be improved. "Most Terre Haute residents are painfully aware of the tarnished image the city bears," says Lenahan, but I believe the only way to change the picture is to get this city on the move."

Referring to current public concern over proper use of the environment, Lenahan pointed out that his ordinance contains a built-in system of checks and balances against improper use of the land.

The developer must not only consider the effect of such projects upon the surrounding neighborhood, but he must also carefully consider the contour of the land to be developed to insure the most prudent use of natural sources, the councilman said.

The developer of a planned unit development would be required to submit a detailed plan to Planning Commission, and should the project be approved, it would have to be followed with any contingent change requiring additional approval

from the commission.

Included in the items required in such a planning reports would be the approximate residential density, the proposed height and bulk of the buildings, the percentage of the project land area to be covered by buildings and streets, traffic features, areas designated for common open spaces, and an evaluation of utilities which would serve the project.

Development of commercial units within the area would also be permitted, but only if they are designed to specifically to serve the planned residential development unit.

The ordinance will be considered for a vote on its passage during the March meeting of the City Council, and the nine council members are expected to discuss the proposal at length during that session.

Two other ordinances were submitted for first reading during the council session Thursday night. Special Ordinance No. 4, would ratify the action of the Board of Public Works and Safety in renewing a contract to provide fire protection for Honey Creek Township.

The other measure, Special Ordinance No. 6, would rezone property at 115 S. Fruitridge Ave., from residential to a C-1, Neighborhood Commerce Commercial District, to allow a dentist to open an office there.

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**City Council
To Take Up 14
Projects**

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City Council action in the surging movement for an improved Terre Haute began to surface with the agenda of new measures to be introduced at Thursday night's meeting.

A "get tough" policy on weeds and trash control; a safety resolution aimed at a Penn Central crossing near northside schools; new traffic control provisions, new buses and better garage facilities for city-owned vehicles, buses as well as police and street department equipment, were among 14 new ordinances and resolutions slated for introduction.

The weed control ordinance provides that the city will cut weeds not taken care of by the property owner and then bill him, setting in addition a fine of up to \$300 for failure to pay the bill.

Trash and garbage control, aimed at eliminating refuse not properly set out for regular collection, establishes similar provisions for city pick-up with billing to the offender and fines for failure to pay.

Citing a "... traffic hazard ... (brought) ... by reason of the failure of the Penn Central Transportation Company to erect and maintain an electronic railroad flasher signal at the intersection of Maple Ave. and the Penn Central Transportation Company crossing in the vicinity

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of 32nd St.," one new resolution seeks to direct the company to install that facility. Improved safety for Terre Haute North Vigo High School students and Maple Avenue School pupils, as well as for all motorists and pedestrians in the area, is said to have generated this proposal.

That measure, submitted by Councilman Pete Chalos, supports Tuesday's move by the Board of Public Works and Safety to a similar directive. Another Public Works board resolution is supported by a new City Council resolution granting the board "... authority to explore and make application for the acquisition of federal funds for the erection of a city garage and the acquisition of city buses, and necessary equipment related thereto."

Information, yet to be confirmed, has been received by city officials to the effect that the new garage facility can be financed, almost in its entirety, by federal funds. The intent is to explore this possibility and establish requirements needed to apply for the money. The measure is being introduced by Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser.

The language of the resolution reads, in part, "... to erect a city garage for the housing of city buses, police vehicles, street department vehicles and other city vehicles and equipment and for the acquisition of additional new city buses ..."

The weed control ordinance is submitted by Councilman Eugene Butts whose measure sets out that "A health hazard exists in the City of Terre Haute by reason of the failure of owners of property to cut weeds growing upon their property ..."

Noting that prior ordinances "... have proven to be ineffective ..." the measure seeks to amend city codes as follows:

"Every property owner within the city shall cut such weeds growing upon his property within seven days after receipt of notice, certified United States mail, return receipt requested, from the Board of Health or the Police Department of the City. If such weeds are not cut by the property owner within seven days after receipt of notices as provided herein, then the Park Department or the City Street Department is authorized to cut such weeds at a cost of \$25 for each city lot cut. The Park Department or City Street Department shall, after completion of the work, present the bill for cutting such weeds to the City Clerk, who shall send a notice, by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, to the property owner forthwith, demanding payment of the cost of cutting such weeds, and shall collect the cost of cutting such weeds from

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Reopening of Maple Ave. Approved By City Council

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Unanimous action by City Council members at Thursday night's meeting approved resolutions calling for the reopening of Maple Ave., the installation of flasher signals at a north-side Penn Central crossing near two schools and application for federal funds to build a new municipal garage.

Meanwhile, new ordinances proposing immediate change at the controversial 25th and Ohio intersection and fixing penalties for owners of trash-laden property and uncut weeds received

first reading and were assigned to committee.

A special ordinance designed to encourage and control "town-house" type real estate developments was tabled until a special Council meeting next week.

Councilman Pete Chalos, who introduced the Maple Ave. resolution, said Friday that City Council approval completed support from "all four governing bodies of Vigo County, both the city and county council, the school board and the county commissioners."

Expressing pleasure at the support from the crowd attending Thursday's meeting, he reported that he has letters from 40 businesses and industries in the northeast section favoring the proposal.

Answering earlier opposition from the developers of the industrial park blocking Maple Ave., Councilman Chalos observed:

"They say we would be jeopardizing industrial growth. Well, they've had that park for four and one-half years. Yet they just signed a five-year contract to park freight cars on it. That's a total of nine and one-half years there wouldn't be anything on it anyhow."

"Meanwhile," Chalos continued, "the people of Lost Creek township . . . 10,000 population, would be denied convenient access to Terre Haute." He went on to cite need for more direct access from the northeast to Union Hospital, schools, shopping centers and the industrial park itself as well as other industries and business places in the area.

Chalos also claimed that,

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"... in its own way," the reopening of Maple Ave., is as important to the development of the area as the Fruitridge Ave. project, saying, "... the more access to it, the better chance there is to sell it."

Councilmen voted 8-0 to adopt Chalos' resolution calling on the owners of the industrial park to grant an easement to the city to facilitate reopening the

thoroughfare, after hearing supporting statements from seven persons. City Councilman John Lamb did not attend Thursday night's session.

Representatives from business and industry on the north side as well as property owners and a number of Vigo County public officials addressed the city legislative body in support of the resolution.

County Commissioner Frank Kaperak pledged money from the county's cumulative bridge fund to pay for building a culvert over a drainage ditch which now blocks the abandoned road, in addition to the equip-

ment necessary to do the job.

Kaperak also said the county commissioners have already discussed plans to widen and improve the Maple Ave. road to the U.S. 40 intersection near Seelyville within two years.

The vice president of the Vigo County Council, Don Myers offered the county council's support for the undertaking, and Peter A. Farmer, president of the Vigo County School Board, noted that the school board voted unanimous approval last month of a resolution backing the effort to reopen the street.

Property owner Robert Pease spoke for the measure, as did Kenneth Byer, a merchant from Plaza North Shopping Center; Edward Utterback Jr., an engineer for Columbia House division of CBS; and Edward Jackman, a 12-Points businessman.

Their remarks and a verbal challenge by Chalos calling on the directors of the Wabash Valley Economic Development Corp. to grant the easement at no cost to the city drew applause from the spectators, among them a number of students from Terre Haute North Vigo High School.

Directors of the non-profit industrial park, which was created to attract new industry to Terre Haute, have criticized the plan as jeopardizing existing business commitments and future industrial development in the area, but they were not represented at the council session Thursday night.

Another council resolution was passed by unanimous vote, authorizing the Board of Public Works and Safety to begin action to have flasher signals erected by the Penn Central Transportation Company at the railroad crossing on Maple Avenue.

The unguarded crossing, located near the Maple Avenue Elementary School, has brought public criticism in recent months, and the Board of Works voted March 7 to seek a way to have signals erected there.

The City Council also passed a resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works and Safety to seek federal funds for the construction of a new city garage to house buses and police vehicles and to purchase a number of new buses.

City Council President Jack Neaderhiser, who sponsored the resolution, said the board of works would seek a federal grant for about \$900,000, which would be matched by an additional \$75,000 from the cumulative building fund for capital improvements.

The council postponed action on a special ordinance which

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would amend the city housing code by providing incentives to encourage real estate developers to create high-density residential areas complete with adequate parking, recreational facilities and landscaping.

Such development is said to be possible under the present zoning code, but the new measure provides for regulating and restricting construction of such Planned Unit Developments, as they are called in the ordinance. The City Council is expected to consider the ordinance during a special session scheduled for next Thursday night.

Special Ordinance No. 4, 1972, approving a \$20,000 contract to provide fire protection for Honey Creek Township was also approved, but not before a number of councilmen voiced concern that the cost of such protection should be increased next year.

The annual contract was increased this year from \$15,000 to \$20,000, but the council declined to attempt to raise the sum any higher until 1973, because the township's budget has

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Council Approves Tough Measures on Weeds, Trash

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Several new ordinances, approving controls for "town house" type developments, fixing penalties for property owners who fail to remove unsightly trash and weeds, and ordering immediate changes in the traffic controls at 25th and Ohio Sts. were adopted by the City Council meeting in special session Thursday evening.

New ordinance proposals rezoning former Paul Cox Field property for shopping center development and establishing an Economic Development Commission to attract new industry were introduced and resolutions affecting future park department operations received action.

Special Ordinance No. 5, 1972, encourages development of high density housing while ensuring adequate parking, recreation facilities and other living needs in such developments, according to Councilman Thomas Lenahan who introduced the measure. He reports further that several real estate developers have expressed interest in the new local law since the proposal was submitted at an earlier council meeting.

The aim, according to area

planning officials, is to provide for orderly housing development in the city rather than "haphazard urban sprawl."

Companion ordinances on the twin health hazards of trash and weeds, provide for their removal by street department workers, with property owners billed for the work. "We don't want the work, but we want a cleaner city," said Councilman Eugene Butts who filed the proposal. He added that he hopes property owners will take care of their own property. "But, if they don't," he continued, "the city will and bill them for it."

The new local laws set clean-up fees at \$25 per truckload of trash, and for each lot of weeds cut, plus a maximum fine of \$300 for failure to pay the fees. The original measures were

amended to eliminate the word "garbage" from the trash ordinance and assigning trash-hauling and weed-cutting chores in the measure to the street department.

The traffic ordinance pertaining to the intersection at 25th and Ohio Sts., calls for elimination of the "corral" structure and a four-way stop provision with no left turns allowed. Former Councilman Kenneth Mier attended Thursday's meeting and criticized the new measure submitted by Councilman William Jarvis.

Park and recreation proposals figuring in Council activity Thursday night included Resolution No. 9 and 10. Resolution No. 9 recommends the creation of a committee to explore the feasibility of combining the city and county park system to create a metropolitan park department.

Councilman Pete Chalos, who submitted the resolution, said the measure was introduced as a preliminary step toward modernizing the methods by which the parks function, and to make it possible to qualify for more

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tax funds to aid the city parks.

He said that Terre Haute residents pay county, state and federal taxes in addition to city levy, but under the present system, only city taxes can be used for development and running the city parks.

Combining the two park departments, which serve both in-city and out-of-city residents, would make it possible to receive a return on tax funds from all four levels, Chalos said.

Resolution No. 9, adopted by a 6-2 vote, with Councilman Butts and Jarvis casting the no votes. Both indicated they voted against the resolution because they had not had time to study the full implications of the proposal.

Resolution No. 10, adopted by unanimous vote, created a select, three-member committee of councilmen to study the need, feasibility and cost of a building recreational complex, which would include an 18-hole golf course, a modest clubhouse, tennis courts, and "other recreational facilities."

Council President Jack Neaderhiser, who submitted the resolution, named Chalos and Councilman John Lamb co-chairmen of the committee, and he named himself as a member.

Neaderhiser said following the adoption of the resolution the group will hold hearings and review a number of possible locations for such a facility, which would be financed by state cigarette tax money already on deposit in the city's cumulative capital improvement fund.

Locations at both the east and west edges of the city have been suggested as likely locations for the golf course and accompanying facilities, but Neaderhiser declined to affirm or deny such reports.

A number of other ordinances were introduced for first reading and assigned to committee, among them a measure designed to create an Economic Development Committee, especially assigned the task of attracting new industry to the city.

The measure was designated for study by the entire city council as a committee-of-the-whole.

A rezoning ordinance, which would rezone the remaining portion of the former Paul Cox airfield on the city's southeast side to C-3 commercial, was introduced for the first reading by Councilman Butts.

The measure would make way for the possible development of a major shopping center near U.S. 41 south, according to Butts, who said a major company at Indianapolis is reportedly interested in developing the property.

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Mier Raps Dump 'Corral' Action

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By RICHARD EVANS
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Local news media and the city council came under public attack Thursday night during a discussion of a council move to dump the present traffic arrangement at the intersection of Twenty-fifth Street and Ohio Boulevard.

Former city councilman Kenneth Mier, addressing the council during a special session, accused members of the news media of encouraging the destruction of the popularly dubbed "corral" and other traffic controls at the intersection.

Mier, who was the leading proponent of the present traffic circle arrangement at the controversial intersection, also criticized Councilman William Jarvis for promising during the fall campaign last year to bring down the barricade on Twenty-fifth Street.

Nevertheless, the city council passed two measures introduced by Jarvis to repeal the present traffic arrangement and to install stop signs on both Twenty-fifth Street and Ohio Boulevard. The ordinance calls for traffic in all four directions to be required to stop, and prohibits left turns from any direction at the intersection.

A provision in the ordinance designates the measure an interim solution to the problem in order to give the city administration time to secure federal funding for a more permanent traffic control arrangement at the intersection.

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The council also approved a number of other ordinances, including a major change in the city's housing and zoning code to permit and encourage development of high density housing and two ordinances designed to give the city more clout in enforcing the trash and weed control ordinances.

Councilman Thomas Lenahan, the author of the ordinance, says the measure is designed to encourage innovative and creative design, and to facilitate use of the most advantageous construction techniques in the development of urban property.

The measure Special Ordinance No. 5, 1972, modifies the 1967 Comprehensive Zoning Code substantially by encouraging real estate developers to create high-density residential areas with adequate parking, recreational facilities and landscaping.

Lanahan said at least seven developers have already in-

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quired about the changes, indicating the measure had created interest among developers even before its passage Thursday night.

Such development is now possible under the present zoning code, but there are no provisions for regulating or restricting construction of the more or less self-contained mini communities, or planned unit developments.

Another important feature of the measure is the attraction provided the potential developer by permitting him to provide housing for many families—thus increasing his investment return, Lenahan said.

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same time, the creation of a desirable environment for the persons who eventually will live there.

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nances setting penalties for the failure to remove trash or to keep weeds cut on property located within the city received unanimous approval by the eight members who attended Thursday night's session. Councilman Eugene Trummell was not able to attend because of a prior engagement.

Both ordinances provide for the city to pick up trash or to mow weeds at the expense of property owners, upon failure by the owner to comply within seven days with a request to clean up the property on his own.

Under the new arrangement, property owners will be billed \$25 per lot if the city is required to clean or mow it, and the ordinance sets stiff maximum penalties for anyone not paying the city's bill for such work within 60 days.

Under the terms of the new ordinances, property owners who fail to pay the city for clearing trash or cutting weeds will be liable for fines ranging from \$25 to \$300.

The City Council also adopted two resolutions with far reach-

ing implications for the city park system. Resolution No. 9 recommends the creation of a committee to explore the feasibility of combining the city and county park system to create a metropolitan park department.

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Butts Plans Ordinance On Fraudulent Repairs

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City Councilman Eugene Butts, career police officer acutely aware of the loss to "guttersnipers" suffered by people who can ill afford it, aims a new weapon at criminals operating under the guise of businessmen at next Thursday's City Council meeting.

Butts will introduce "An Ordinance Prohibiting Door-to-Door Solicitation of Certain Services," which officials refer to informally as the "gutter-snipe law."

Pointing to a list of people "taken" for literally thousands of dollars over the years, Butts

says the new ordinance, if adopted, "... will give us a means of stopping such crimes before they happen."

Terre Haute Police Chief Jim Swift welcomes the proposal, noting that in the past, lawmen had to wait until someone complained of being charged too much for some service, such as gutter cleaning or repair. And, even then, prosecution might not be possible if the victim had signed a contract that didn't specify a certain price for certain work.

With about two-dozen years in public and private police work, Councilman Butts is very familiar with the frustration and financial loss suffered by

if a number of people who "hired someone at the door and lived to regret it." Stressing that many legitimate businesses operate in the field in question, Butts points out that gutter repair is not the only type of work involved.

"There are thieves stealing, sometimes legally, in all kinds of work they've solicited door-to-door," the detective-councilman reports as he calls attention to the types of work listed in the proposed ordinance.

Section 1 of the special ordinance states, "From and after the effective date hereof, it shall be unlawful for any person,

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firm or corporation, by door-to-door solicitation, to:

- Exterminate for insects in and around residences of the City of Terre Haute;
- Inspect, clean or repair furnaces;
- Fix or repair roofs with plastic or any other substance;
- Fix or repair chimneys;
- Fix or repair guttering;
- Waterproof basements."

Section 2 of the proposal provides, "Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), or imprisonment for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty (180) days, or both such fine and imprisonment."

"Now, (with the ordinance) we'll be able to move as soon as they solicit," Chief Swift says, "and get at least some kind of conviction without having to wait and prove fraud."

"And, we can do it before someone gets hurt," the police chief adds, recalling the fact that without the ordinance proposed someone must be victimized before police can even begin.

That's the real aim of the ordinance, Butts advises, "... to deter guttersnipe activity ... stop it before it starts."

Reviewing his current files on such complaints (Butts currently works with the prosecutor's office) and recalling investigations of years gone by, the councilman cites specific cases.

"One poor soul could have built a new house, a big one, with the money she was taken for," he said as he added up the record of repair billings to one elderly woman during a two-year period.

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They added up to more than \$20,000. Included were payments to three different individuals or companies totaling more than \$9,000 to one, nearly \$5,000 to another and some \$7,500 to the third.

Noting that the victim in that case had "a little more in the bank" than many people who suffer loss, Butts relates the story of another elderly woman who paid several hundred dollars to have her small house "sprayed for insects — and then signed a 10-year contract with the outfit.

"I checked with a legitimate firm," the councilman continued, "and they said they could have done the job for a lot less, just a fraction, even for a much bigger house."

The new ordinance is not expected to be a cure-all.

"People will still sign contracts without looking at them — or hire some of these same guttersnipes," lawmen lament.

"But, this ordinance will give people a little more protection," Butts declares, adding, "And we can make it more difficult for the guttersnipers to stay in business."

APR 10 1972

City's Rights On Tumpane Land Studied

City Councilman Pete Chalos (D-first district) said Monday the city legal department is studying the deeds, articles of incorporation and easement rights at the Ft. Harrison Industrial Park (formerly the Tumpane property).

Chalos said the study by city attorneys is being conducted in an effort to determine the status of the city, if any.

Chalos has been the leader in a movement to reopen Maple Ave., which runs through the middle of the industrial park property.

The Democratic councilman said that further discussion on proposal to reopen the roadway will be discussed at the regular monthly session of the Common Council Thursday night.

Members of the industrial park board and representatives of the firm that is currently leasing a portion of the property met with Mayor William J. Brighton Friday in closed session.

Following the meeting Brighton said that he had no meaningful comment at that time.

A member of the Industrial Park Board, Tom Roberts, declined any comment on the meeting but did add the Maple Avenue question is just one of the many issues with which the managers are concerned.

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City Council To Discuss Several Items

The "Guttersnipe law," rezoning of Paul Cox Field property and a committee report on a proposal for a new municipal recreation complex are expected to be chief items of interest on the agenda of Thursday night's City Council meeting.

Councilman John "Pete" Lamb told THE TRIBUNE that committee inquiry shows the proposal for the recreation complex "... is feasible."

He said the report to the Council will reveal the results of inquiry into five areas of concern: "need; feasibility; cost; availability of funds, and location."

Lamb said the study shows "The need is there . . . comparison with Evansville alone (which has five golf courses for a population twice that of Terre Haute) demonstrates the need here where we have only one (Rea Park). He went on to say that the use of the Stadium golf course by Indiana State University nearly removes it from consideration for local public use.

"It is feasible," Lamb continued, reporting the estimated total cost will be "... less than half a million (dollars) at the most, and probably well under that." He said the report will give more detail.

He also stressed that "... it won't take local money," pointing out that the proposal contemplates the availability of funds from other levels of government.

"And, concerning the location," Lamb said, "We've got about 6 or 7 cities under study—in all directions, North, South, East and West."

Gene Butts, councilman and career police officer, is introducing the bill aimed at reducing the activities of unscrupu-

ous repairmen who prey on homeowners each spring.

The bill is Special Ordinance No. 16, described as "An Ordinance Prohibiting Door to Door Solicitation of Certain Services."

Special Ordinance No. 13, "to rezone property formerly known as Paul Cox Field, except for land owned by South Vigo High School," is due for second reading, discussion and vote. Lamb said he expected that it would be adopted. Earlier reports stated that the measure, rezoning the ground for commercial purposes from the present zoning for agricultural pursuits, will permit the establishment of a new shopping center along U.S. 41.

Also included on the agenda is Special Ordinance No. 20, "An Ordinance Authorizing Annexation of Property within three miles of a point on the perimeter of the limits of the City of Terre Haute."

The ordinance proposal makes reference to a desire on the part of the West Terre Haute officials to annex property adjacent to the town and gives approval of the City of Terre Haute.

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**Council Passes Resolution
On Tony Hulman Classic**
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City Council (T.H.)

The Terre Haute City Council recently passed a resolution introduced by Councilman Kenneth Thomas thanking the persons responsible for the success of the upcoming Tony Hulman Classic.

Resolution No. 14 reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Terre Haute will be host for the second annual Tony Hulman Classic auto race on April 29, 1972, recognizing the great contribution made to the sport of auto racing by Anton (Tony) Hulman Jr., of Terre Haute, and

WHEREAS, the television network of the American Broadcasting Company has announced plans to carry on nationwide television the Tony Hulman Classic on its Wide World of Sports program for the second consecutive year, and

WHEREAS, Don Smith and Paul Denehie, as co-chairmen,

together with many other interested citizens of Terre Haute have given and will give a great deal of time in preparation for presentation of the Tony Hulman Classic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Terre Haute that the City of Terre Haute expresses its gratitude and best wishes to Anton (Tony) Hulman Jr., Don Smith, Paul Denehie and to all of the other citizens of our community who will contribute of their time and energy to the Tony Hulman Classic; and we further express the gratitude of the citizens of Terre Haute to the ABC television network and to those persons involved in the Wide World of Sports program for their presentation of the Tony Hulman Classic and the favorable publicity derived thereby in favor of the City of Terre Haute.

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By RICHARD EVANS
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Thursday night refused to consider a resolution condemning the Vietnam war, after a group of Indiana State University students calling themselves the "Terre Haute Has Not Declared War Committee" made an attempt to submit the statement just prior to the regular council session.

City Council President Jack Neaderhiser refused to make the resolution a part of the council's agenda because he said it had not been submitted according to proper City Council procedure.

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All business that comes before the body must be submitted no less than one day in advance of a scheduled meeting, must be checked by the city legal department and have a city councilman to sponsor it, Neaderhiser said.

He invited the group to submit the measure for consideration at the June council meeting, and several of the members of the group were allowed to address the council during

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the first 30 minutes of the session. The first half hour of each council session is normally set aside for public discussion.

Of the estimated 125 persons who attended the meeting Thursday night, about 75 were anti-war protestors. Members of the group who spoke before the councilmen were elderly, and most concentrated their efforts in trying to persuade the city officials to make a public statement, for or against the war, instead of delaying.

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Neaderhiser went on record as being opposed to war in general, but he refused to commit himself further. Thomas Lenahan, Democrat councilman-at-large agreed in principal with the protestors that the conflict is an undeclared war and made a plea for them to join the Democrats in the fall in defeating President Nixon.

When the nine-member city council finally moved into the business portion of the session they acted on five ordinances and heard first readings of 15 more, among the latter a measure designed to create a committee to probe the operation of the Ft. Harrison Industrial Park on the city's northeast side.

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The ordinance would designate three members of the City Council and the City Attorney as ex-officio member to form the committee known as the Terre Haute Economic Development Committee and calls for granting the body the power to compel witnesses to attend hearings and meetings of the committee and to produce documents which may be deemed germane to the investigation.

The measure was introduced by Councilman Pete Chalos, who has spearheaded a drive to who has spearheaded a drive to the industrial district. Chalos has been opposed by the directors of the Wabash Valley Economic Development Corp., the non-profit board which runs the industrial park.

The ordinance calls for the committee to investigate the "facts surrounding the creation and operation of the Terre Haute Economic Development Corporation and the Wabash Valley Economic Development Corporation with the respect to the creation, reopening or dedication of streets, alleys and other traffic control problems and to conduct a full scale investigation into and prepare a fact finding report of the activities of said corporations and the overall effort to attract new industry in Terre Haute".

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A move to do away with political requirements in one de-

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partment of the Fire Department was also introduced for first reading. Special Ordinance No. 26, would dispense with a rule which requires the chief of the alarms system and the assistant chief of alarms to be of opposite political parties.

Both positions are now filled by the Board of Public Works and Safety, but the new measure would leave the appointment up to the fire chief, requiring the approval of the board.

Among the measures passed after second reading Thursday night were two appropriation ordinances totaling more than \$25,000. The sum of \$7,460 was appropriated for the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund to pay for the cost of blacktopping completed during October last year.

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Another \$17,814 was appropriated for the City Council to enable them to pay off the city's remaining share of expenses for the general election in November, according to City Councilman John Lamb.

Three rezoning ordinances were also approved. The property at the northwest corner of Twenty-fifth and Locust Streets was rezoned C-1, commercial, from an R-3, multiple family residential, classification.

The building will house a restaurant and tavern with a beer and wine license, according to a spokesman for the city planning commission.

The property at 2605 S. 7th St., was rezoned C-6 commercial from an R-1 classification to accommodate a barber shop located there, and the property at 1901 Ash St., was zoned commercial to accommodate a parking lot and warehouse for a nearby automotive business.

Below is a digest of ordinances submitted Thursday night for first reading. They will be ready for adoption upon a second reading at the June meeting.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 5 — \$5,000 for the Park Department to finance a recreational complex. Submitted by Councilman Lamb.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 22 — Rezone property at 1016 N. 6th St. R-1 to Planned Unit Development. Submitted by Councilman Thomas.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 23 — Erect stop signs at Twelfth and Putnam streets.

Submitted by Councilman Lenahan.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 24 — Erect stop signs at Twenty-seventh and Cruft streets. Submitted by Councilman Chalos.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 25 — Ordinance creating the Terre Haute Economic Development Committee. Submitted by Councilman Chalos.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO.

26 — Remove the political requirements for the chief and assistant chief of the fire alarms system. Submitted by Councilman Butts.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 27 — Rezone property at Seventeenth and Spang from R-1 to R-5, mobile home site. Submitted by Councilman Jarvis.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 28 — Rezone property at 1651 Sycamore Street, R-1 to M-1, light industry. Submitted by Councilman Butts.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 29 — Rezone property known as "Block B" Stratford Hills Subdivision R-1 to R-3, multiple dwelling. Submitted by Councilman Chalos.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 30 — Rezone property between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets from Florida to Delaware Avenue, to M-2 industrial. Submitted by Councilman Thomas.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 31 — Ordinance setting requirement of a license and providing for inspection and regulation of certain service type businesses. Submitted by Councilman Butts.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 32 — Establish a no parking zone on the south side of Eighth Avenue between Eighth and Ninth streets. Submitted by Councilman Thomas.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 33 — Remove existing no parking zone on Garfield Avenue at Barbour Avenue. Submitted by Councilman Thomas.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 34 — Ordinance to amend Section 1135.01 (C) (1) Planning and Zoning Code Established by Ordinance No. 1, 1964.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 34 — Rezone property at the southwest corner of Twenty-seventh street and Collett Avenue at R-5, mobile home site. Submitted by Councilman Jarvis.

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Councilmen Get Requests From Public

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Street repairs, fluoridation, zoning and uni-gov were among the topics brought to two city councilmen in the first of weekly open office hours for informal discussions with citizens.

Announced earlier by Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser, the program calls for one or more councilmen to be on hand from 4 until 6 p.m. each Tuesday evening.

Taking the first session were Councilman Thomas Lenahan, Democrat, and C. Eugene Trummel, the sole Republican on the nine-member city legislative body. Both were impressed with the variety of discussion that ensued with a half dozen visitors who showed up to talk. They said the program should be helpful to the council and urged more citizens to take part in the future.

A retired school teacher who stopped in said she just wanted to tell the councilmen how much she appreciated the opportunity to sit down with her city leaders and talk.

"It's a good gesture. I've never known of such a practice as long as I've lived in the city," she said.

Among others were two mothers who want fluoridation of the drinking water for their children's benefit, a citizen who wanted to talk about the repair of his street, a property owner with a zoning problem, and a housewife who thinks the city and county should be run by a uni-gov-system.

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Begin 'Talks' With Citizens'

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Members of the City Council report they are planning to continue each week their Tuesday evening sessions to answer questions, hear complaints and listen to suggestions from the citizens of Terre Haute.

Councilmen Thomas Lenahan and C. Eugene Trummel were on hand Tuesday evening from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and two other council members took their turn in the opening session last week.

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Lenahan and Trummel reported that six persons turned out for the weekly discussion session Tuesday. One of the six, a retired school teacher, said she just dropped by to tell the councilmen how much she appreciated the opportunity to sit down with her city leaders and talk.

"It's a good gesture. I've never known of such a practice as long as I've lived in the city," she said.

Among the others who dropped by to bend the ears of the city councilmen Tuesday were two mothers who want fluoridation of the drinking water for their children's benefit, a citizen who wanted to talk about the repair of his street, a property owner with a zoning problem, and a housewife who thinks the city and county should be run by a uni-gov system.

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The two councilmen said they have found the talk time helpful in sorting out the needs of the community and urged more to take part in the future.

Two council members will be on hand at the City Council office each Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. from now on, according to Council President Jack Neaderhiser.

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By JACK A. HUGHES
Tribune Staff Writer

Cut those weeds — or pay! That was the substance of the message from Mayor William J. Brighton's third press conference this week as he announced implementation June 1 of special ordinances on control of weeds and trash.

The special meeting with news media, called Friday, reported cooperation between the city and the Vigo County Health Department for action on complaints concerning property within the city strewn with trash or overgrown with weeds, or both. Dr. Hubert T. Goodman, county health commissioner, and his administrative assistant, Paul Welch, joined the mayor in the press conference as did City Councilman William Jarvis.

The special ordinances, passed by the Council in March, provides for the cleaning or cutting by government of lots neglected by the property owners who will then be billed by the city for the work. Failure to pay the bill can result in a fine of as much as \$300 for each offense.

Mayor Brighton said:

"The purpose of this measure is two-fold. One, to beautify the city and, two, to eliminate breeding places for vermin which can threaten the health of the community.

"All complaints will be investigated," he added.

The mayor said that complaints may be made either to the police department or to the Health Department. Complaints to police will be referred to health authorities who will then inspect the property in question. If inspection results in an order to the property owner to clean or clear the property, he has seven days in which to comply. Failure to comply will bring ac-

tion by health and city employees to correct the problem.

The ordinance provides a charge of \$25 will be levied for each lot cut and \$25 for each truckload of trash removed. The responsible property owner has 60 days in which to pay the fee or fees billed. If he does not do so, court action may be taken.

The penalty provisions of the ordinances involved state:

"In addition to all other penalties provided for in this Chapter, any owner who fails to pay the cost of cutting such weeds (or clearing trash) within 60 days after receipt of notice demanding payment of the cost . . . may be fined in an amount of not less than \$25 nor more than \$300."

Mayor Brighton said that both the names of complainants and the property owner against

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whom a complaint is filed will be held confidential until such a time as they become public record in court proceedings.

Concerning similar problems outside the city limits, Health Commissioner Goodman said:

"In the county, we don't have a special ordinance . . . but in the event of a health hazard, we take whatever steps are necessary."

Councilman Jarvis said:

"This is an ordinance we've needed for years and years. And the first one with teeth.

"We don't want the business," Jarvis continued, echoing earlier statements from officials who said that the real aim of the action is to encourage people to take care of their own property.

Jarvis also expressed appreciation for action by Mayor Brighton's administration in several areas. Concerning the weed and trash problem in particular, he said:

"The Council is 100 per cent behind this administration."

The arrangement between the city and the health department, as described by the mayor, calls for the health authority to provide equipment and a supervisor with the city to provide two men each from the street and park departments.

Councilman Jarvis summed up the aim as he said:

"Terre Haute will look like a big park — not like a junk lot."

Moye To Reopen Maple Ave. Given City Council Teeth

JUN 1 1972

By RICHARD EVANS
Star Staff Writer

The Terre Haute City Council Wednesday night moved to launch an official probe of the Ft. Harrison Industrial Park in an apparent continued effort to reopen Maple Avenue through the northside industrial development area.

The nine members of the council, meeting in special session voted unanimously to approve a special ordinance designed to create a select committee to probe the operation of the industrial park.

Council President Jack Neaderhiser named Councilman Pete Chalos chairman of the three-member committee. Chalos has been the prime mover in the attempt to open the thoroughfare, through the industrial park, which has been closed to traffic since the years of World War II when the property was a military ordinance depot.

City Councilmen Eugene Trummel and Eugene Butts

were also named to the committee. Butts is a special investigator for the Vigo County Prosecutor's office and Trummel is a certified public accountant. Neaderhiser said the two were named for their special vocational interests in an effort to aid in the investigation.

The ordinance grants the body the power to compel witnesses to attend hearings and meetings of the committee and to pro-

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duce documents deemed germane to the investigation.

The measure was introduced during a special meeting of the council in April, after a resolution calling for the board of directors of the development corporation to grant an easement to the city was apparently down by the directors.

Chalos has been opposed by the directors of the Wabash Valley Economic Development Corp., the non-profit board which runs the industrial park, since he first launched the drive early March.

The new ordinance calls for the special committee to investigate the "facts surrounding the creation and operation of the Terre Haute Economic Development Corp. and the Wabash Valley Economic Development Corp. with respect to the creation, reopening or dedication of streets, alleys and other traffic control problems."

Other language in the ordinance directs the committee to "conduct a full-scale investigation into and prepare a fact-finding report of the activities of said corporations and the overall effort to attract new industry in Terre Haute."

The three directors of the non-profit industrial park, which was created to attract new industry to Terre Haute, have criticized the plan to reopen Maple Avenue as jeopardizing existing business commitments and future industrial development in the area.

The City Council Wednesday night also approved several special rezoning ordinances, among them a measure which clears the way for the construction of 26 low-income housing units on a northside site.

The council voted unanimous

approval of a rezoning ordinance which changed the classification of property at 1016 N. 6th St., formerly the Sara Dowling Home, to a Planned Unit Development classification.

The property will be the site of 26 new low-income housing units, which are part of a recently announced addition to the facilities of the Terre Haute Housing Authority.

Special Ordinance No. 27, rezoning property at the corner of Seventeenth Street and Spang Avenue, was also passed by unanimous vote. That ordinance changes the classification from R-1, single family residential, to R-T mobile home.

Property at 1651 Tippecanoe St. was also rezoned to an M-1, light industry, classification to enable the Terre Haute Plumbing and Heating Co. to expand operations.

Five blocks in the Stratford Hills subdivision, known as "Block B", were rezoned from R-1 to R-3 classification to make way for development of multiple family, townhouse apartments. The vote was also a 9-0 unanimous decision.

The City Council approved a companion ordinance to a popularly-dubbed "guttersnipe" ordinance approved last session. The companion ordinance requires the licensing, inspection and regulation of door-to-door service companies.

Both ordinances deal specifically with solicitation for certain services including, pest control, furnace inspection and repair, roof and guttering repair, waterproofing of basements, and tree trimming.

The ordinance passed earlier provides a maximum penalty of a \$500 fine and 180 days in jail for false representation or the use of shoddy workmanship and materials.

The companion ordinance passed Wednesday night was de-

signed primarily to provide for the licensing of legitimate operations to protect the honest contractor, according to Neaderhiser.

Proprietors of the service-type operations will now be required to register with the city housing inspector and pay a five-dollar fee. The housing inspector will be responsible for investigating all related complaints.

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City Council To Consider Golf Course

Recreation will take the center of attention at Thursday night's City Council meeting with proposals seeking to start action on a new golf course and recreation complex and to improve an existing park by closing the street which bisects it.

The former action, proposed transfer of funds to the Park Department, will permit the beginning of real study looking toward the new recreation complex, according to Councilman John "Pete" Lamb.

Councilman Lamb said:

"This transfer, in the amount of \$5,000, will enable us to get some preliminary study accomplished, both with regard to the complex itself and the means of obtaining outside assistance in funding the project."

The other recreation matter will be placed before the city legislative body by Councilman Thomas Lenahan.

"We'll close Gilbert Avenue at Wabash Avenue," Lenahan reported, adding that an access street from Gilbert to 15th Street will avoid dead ending the avenue.

The councilman said that the closing of existing circle drive in the middle of Gilbert Park (formerly Steeg Park) will permit the Gilbert Park Garden Committee to go ahead with plans for a three-tiered fountain with colored lights to be constructed in the center of the park. He said also that the measure should improve traffic safety at that point on Wabash Avenue.

"The new street between Gilbert and 15th will be on land the city already owns, so we won't have to buy any property

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... it'll be a 25-foot wide street with no parking," Councilman Lenahan advised.

The golf course-recreation complex proposed several months ago has been awaiting the kind of action anticipated at this week's regular meeting of the Council.

Several possible sites are said to be under consideration.

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Money to start a study of the proposed new golf course and recreation complex is among appropriation measures before the City Council in its regular meeting Thursday evening.

Transfer of \$5,000 to the Park Department will get that project underway while another appropriation proposal contemplates \$20,000 for the Board of Cemetery Regents.

Rezoning ordinances also are expected to receive action including zone changes for property at 3000 Maple Ave., Seventeenth and Spang Streets and Twenty-seventh and Collett Streets.

A measure setting requirements for the chief and assistant chief of the fire alarms system will also be up for second reading.

The bill removes the bi-partisan requirement in the fire alarms division of the Terre Haute Fire Department in addition to setting five years' experience as an electrician as a job prerequisite.

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Land Donation Promise Told

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Promise of a 200-acre land donation to the city for the proposed new golf course-recreation complex was reported at Thursday evening's City Council meeting which passed several measures, including \$5,000 appropriated for the park department recreation facility study in split votes.

Both the golf course study money and a \$20,000 appropriation for the Board of Cemetery Regents to pay salaries and wages were approved by 6-1 ballots with Councilman William Jarvis, Democrat, voting against the park appropriation and Councilman Eugene Trummel, Republican, on the short end of the vote which allowed the cemetery funds.

Jarvis and Trummel both voted against an ordinance which removed a provision that the Terre Haute Fire Department alarms superintendent and his assistant be of different political parties. Voting for the measure were councilmen Peta Chalos, John "Pete" Lamb, Thomas Lenahan, Asa Malooley and Jack I. Neaderhiser, president of the legislative body. Councilmen Eugene Butts and Kenny Thomas were absent.

The land availability for the recreation complex was reported during debate on the \$5,000 appropriation which Neaderhiser and Lamb described as good faith money to demonstrate to the prospective donor and to federal funding agencies that the city fathers are serious in their intent to follow through. Lamb said that the bulk of funds which will be required actually to design and construct the 18-hole golf course and other facilities will be sought from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation.

Park Supt. Pat Dougherty said that an application for such federal assistance will be submitted after the \$5,000 study

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and the completion of a master plan for city parks.

Councilman Jarvis had questioned the advisability of spending \$5,000 for the park study while the city still has problems financing the municipal bus operation, street and sidewalk improvements and other basic city responsibilities.

Trummel objected to the cemetery appropriation, reporting that it represents a 40 per cent increase over last year's budget. The cemetery superintendent told the councilmen that existing funds will be exhausted by September.

The vote on the Fire Department matter followed a statement in opposition presented by Nancy Tarbox, president of the Housewives Effort for Local Progress, and comments by Fire Chief LeRoy Shipley who spoke for the change.

Two zoning ordinances submitted earlier were removed.

Special Ordinance No. 19, rezoning ordinance for property on the north side of 3000 Maple Ave. was stricken from the record by a 6-1 vote, with Councilman Asa Malooley casting the no vote.

Special Ordinance No. 27, to rezone property at 17th St. and Spang Ave. from single family residential to a mobile home classification, was stricken from the record by unanimous vote.

Special Ordinance No. 32, establishing a no parking zone on the south side of 8th Ave. from 8th to 9th St., passed 7-0, as did Special Ordinance No. 33, removing an existing no parking zone on Garfield Ave. at Barbour Ave.

The council voted unanimously to rezone property at the southwest corner of 27th St. and Collett Ave. from R-1, single-family residential, to a mobile home classification.

New business introduced to the Thursday Council meeting, slated for second reading and ballot next month, includes the following proposals:

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 6 — \$9,500 from the Capital Improvement Fund for contractual services to finance improvements at Gilbert Park on Wabash Avenue East. Submitted by Councilman Lenahan.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 36 — Rezone property at 1956 N. 25th St. to C-2 limited commercial. Submitted by Councilman Malooley.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 37 — Rezone property in the northwest quadrant at the intersection of Twenty-fifth street and Lafayette Avenue to C-3, regional commerce. Submitted by Councilman Lamb.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 38 — Erect stop signs on Sixth Avenue at the intersection of Twenty-third Street. Submitted by Councilman Neaderhiser.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 39 — Erect stop signs at the corner of Fourteenth Street and

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Lee Avenue. Submitted by Councilman Jarvis.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 40 — Establish traffic lights at the intersection of Sixth and Farrington Streets. Submitted by Councilman Butts.

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 41 — Erect stop signs at the corner of Twentieth and Warren Streets for east-west traffic. Submitted by Councilman Jarvis.

Ensembles in spring and summer Paris fashion shows featured short, fitted jackets. Most of these were cut with sleeve in one piece with the back, giving a rounded shoulder line which emphasized the nipped-in waistline. Flat collars and small lapels tapered to a single button are other marks of the jacket from Paris designers.

City Council Will Take Up Annexation Bill Tonight

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Public interest in an annexation proposal slated for introduction to Thursday evening's City Council meeting virtually assured a large turnout on the part of local residents.

However, the annexation proposal is just one of several important matters of local legislation scheduled for action or introduction at the regular meeting of the nine-member body headed by Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser.

Other measures include salary increases for police and firemen; approval of a \$650,000 two-year refuse removal contract with Jamax Corporation, and a resolution asking Indiana's U.S. senators to vote for the controversial federal revenue sharing plan.

The resolution, introduced by Councilman Eugene Butts, has considerable support including that of Mayor William J. Brighton who has said that an effort is being made for similar appeals to Sens. Vance Hartke

and Birch Bayh from cities throughout the state.

While Brighton and other Democrat leaders have expressed some dissatisfaction with the measure as passed by the U.S. House of Representatives on June 22, they add that it is the only revenue sharing plan with a chance of passage.

The City Council resolution says, in part:

"Whereas, if said legislation is passed and made law, the City of Terre Haute, along with other cities in the State of Indiana, will receive from federal funds over \$1 million so as to help defray city government expenses in the operation of city government, and thus will prevent a possible increase in local tax rates for the residents of Terre Haute, Indiana, and other citizens of the State of Indiana and would probably, in the opinion of the Common Council, cause a reduction of the local tax rates for the citizens of Terre Haute, Indiana . . ."

The direct appeal to the two Hoosier senators comes in the final paragraph of the resolution, proper which declares:

" . . . that said Common Council hereby encourages and requests the United States senators from the State of Indiana to vote in favor of the Federal Revenue Sharing Plan. . . ."

The proposed 1973 pay package for police and firemen is up for final reading during the Thursday night meeting, and the council can be expected to pass the measure.

The pay package calls for a \$750 raise for beginning members in both departments and varying percentage increases for experienced men and ranking officers.

The controversy over the annexation plan appears to center around whether the city will and in fact is able to provide added services to the

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areas in question without raising the tax rate appreciably.

In addition to setting the new boundary limits, the ordinance promises to provide a number of services to the residents of the annexed areas. Police and fire protection and repair and maintenance of public streets and roads, will be immediately provided once the bill becomes effective, according to its terms.

Three other major services are also promised within three years from the effective date of the measure. These include daily bus service, extension of city sewer and sanitation services, and extension of trash, ash and garbage pick-up services.

The annexation would become effective 60 days following passage by the City Council and approval by the mayor, providing there are no remonstrances filed against the measure.

Representatives from both sides have indicated, however, that they expect the matter to be taken into the courts if the ordinance passes, as it is expected to do.

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Council Studies Pay Boost for Police, Firemen

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A proposed ordinance calling for a \$750 across-the-board pay increase for city policemen and firemen was assigned to committee following its introduction at the special session of the city council Wednesday night.

The ordinance which also calls for pay hikes ranging from seven to eight per cent for promoted men will come before the council during its regular session July 13.

Other action during the 30-minute special meeting were two ordinances calling for no parking on the northside of Locust St., from 13th St. to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois Railroad tracks, and no parking on Farrington St., between 5th and 6th Sts.

The pay ordinance seems certain of passage with the announced support by seven of the nine councilmen. The proposal was introduced by Councilmen John Lamb, William Jarvis, and Asa Malooley and was co-sponsored by Councilmen Ken Thomas, Eugene Butts, Jack Neaderhiser, and Thomas Lenahan.

The ordinance would raise the beginning salary for fire privates and police patrolman to \$7,020 effective Jan. 1, 1973. The proposal would raise the salary of a man with one-year's experience to \$7,500, also a \$750 increase. Pay differentials between higher ranks would be seven or eight per cent.

The proposed ordinance contains no increase in benefits. It calls for a \$400 clothing allowance, up to \$540 length of service bonus, and half payment of medical insurance.

The ordinance also would raise automatically the pensions of retired policemen, who receive 50 per cent of the base salary for 20 years service.

Mayor William Brighton Wednesday went on record in support of the pay raise proposal. He said, "Our police and firemen receive less than men of any other second class city employes in Indiana. This raise is an attempt to gear them to an average of other second class cities."

Brighton stated the first-year

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cost of the proposed raise would have to be borne by property taxpayers. He hoped the next state legislative session would increase cigarette taxes to reduce the property tax burden.

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HC Annexation

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Annexation of more than 3,000 acres of Honey Creek Township south of the present Terre Haute city limits was expected to pass the City Council Thursday night.

Officials anticipated quick passage and ready acceptance of this modified annexation proposal which was to be amended at the second reading in the regular August meeting of the Council.

Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser said Thursday that opposition to the original annexation proposal has centered in the northern annexation area proposed and that, in contrast, a number of residents and businessmen in the southern area appear to welcome annexation.

He noted that the new amendment proposal eliminates much farmland to the south, as well as the northern and western annexation proposed originally.

He echoed earlier comments from Mayor William Brighton, who said:

"There should be no doubt in anyone's mind that the city can extend services to this area."

In addition to the Honey Creek Square shopping center and several other business

places in the area, the modified annexation is expected to include some of the more heavily settled residential subdivisions including Dowden Acres, Marywood, Southwood and Maryland subdivisions and a few mobile home parks.

The boundaries of the amended proposal prepared for the Thursday evening meeting are reported to follow Ind. 63 southwest to the Blocksom Rd., east on the Blocksom Rd., dipping south to include residential areas between that point and the junction of the Canal Rd. and Collins Rd. The line then cuts north to Davis Ave., east to Fruitridge Ave., south again to the Jackson Rd. and east to a southern extension of the present eastern Terre Haute boundary.

The amended annexation proposal, expected to receive Council action, incorporates less than half the Honey Creek acreage proposed for annexation originally. As of Thursday, the earlier plan to extend Terre Haute limits to the west and north was to be dropped.

Other business on the Council agenda includes the city budget, trash hauling and other matters.

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Pensions Voted By City Council

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City workers, including department heads and the nine members of the City Council, are included in the pension plan adopted by council resolution in a special meeting Monday night.

The action, joining the Public Employees' Retirement Fund established by the Indiana Legislature in 1945, paves the way for implementation of the plan in 1973 at a total budgeted cost of approximately \$53,780.

The proposed budget for next year calls for \$22,300 from the general fund, \$3,080 from the aviation department's budget, \$10,650 for the park department, \$8,800 for the street department, \$6,300 for cemetery employees, and \$2,650 for the traffic department.

John Lamb, chairman of the city council financial committee, said the retirement plan

would not cover part-time employees.

The Public Employees Retirement Fund is a public trust, administered by trustees appointed by the governor and is identical to retirement funds non-teaching employees of the Vigo County School Corporation, Lamb said.

Vigo County teachers participate in a similar plan administered by the same trustees, according to the City Council spokesman. Vigo County employees and judges in the state also participate in similar retirement funds, the councilman said.

He pointed out that employees in a number of major cities in Indiana have been members of the pension plan for some time.

Lamb said employees of Gary, Ft. Wayne, Evansville, Ham-

mond and Richmond, and employees of the Indianapolis Public Library system are presently included in the pension plan.

The fund will cover all full-time employees who elect to participate and will become effective Jan. 1, 1973. The city will contribute 6.69 per cent of the total gross salaries paid to city employees covered by the plan, and individual workers will contribute 3 per cent of their annual gross income.

Lamb said 2.40 per cent of the city's share will go for expenses to cover retroactive payments for employees who have past experience in public office. He said time worked in city, county or state offices will be credited to those now employed by the city.

According to Lamb, the cost of bringing employees with prior seniority into the plan will be spread out over a 15 year period, and that costs to the city can be expected to be reduced in future years.

Council President Jack Neaderhiser set next Tuesday for a closed session of the council as a committee-of-the-whole to discuss possible cuts in the proposed, \$5,113,000 1973 budget.

The City Council will meet for final consideration of the budget on August 28.

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Chalos Says Maple Avenue Opening Issue Not Dead

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City Councilman Pete Chalos, who has led a council fight to re-open Maple Avenue through the Ft. Harrison Industrial Park, says the issue is not dead despite the announcement Thursday that the property blocking the thoroughfare has been sold.

Mayor William J. Brighton made the announcement Thursday morning during a press conference. He said officers for the industrial park on the north side have negotiated the sale of 102 acres to General

American Transportation, Inc., which now leases the land.

GAT has reportedly agreed to buy the tract of industrial property for \$300,000 with final negotiations in the deal expected to be completed Friday.

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Brighton called the Maple Avenue reopening a "deal issue", but Chalos said he will encourage the City Council to look into the possibility of condemnation proceedings or negotiations with the new owner.

GAT, a railroad car manufacturer, has stored equipment at the site during the time it has been leasing the land and had an option on its purchase.

"The prime purpose of our negotiations has been toward acquiring more industry to provide jobs for the residents of Terre Haute," Brighton said.

The issue over re-opening Maple Avenue, which was vacated during the WW II years to make way for the ordinance plant which occupied the site, surfaced earlier this year, when Chalos attempted to have the street opened to facilitate travel for residents of Lost Creek

Township to the east of the park.

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Mayor Brighton also devoted part of the morning press conference to a report from Street Commissioner Bill Thompson on the progress of the department's program, and the commissioner made an expected announcement of his resignation.

Thompson said he will be leaving his post Sept. 1 to accept a position as an economics instructor at a junior college in Decatur, Ill.

Brighton expressed his regret at losing the youthful Thompson and took the occasion both to praise the accomplishments of the department and to point up the difficulty the city's having in competing with private employers for the services of qualified personnel.

The mayor said he has not yet chosen a successor but will name a new commissioner in the near future.

Thompson reported that Phase I of the administration's street resurfacing program is 90 per cent completed, and he indicated details on the second phase are being completed for release in the near future.

Council Cuts \$105,000 of City Budget

By PAT BARNES

Tribune Staff Writer

Meeting in caucus Saturday, the Terre Haute City Council trimmed \$105,000 from the proposed 1973 civil city budget.

The budget was first introduced during the council's regular session Aug. 10. At that time the proposed budget stood at \$5.1 million and a civil city tax rate of \$4.99.

The \$105,000 cuts completed Saturday represent about a 10-cent reduction in the proposed rate for next year.

Most of the budget cuts were for supply items in each department. There were no large amount cuts from any one department.

The nine-member governmental body will meet in special session at 8 p.m. Monday in the courtroom of city hall to act on the proposed budget for next year.

During Saturday's budget study session Councilman Pete Chalos (D-1st District) requested from Council President Jack Neaderhiser that a committee be appointed to look into the possibility of the city taking over the ash, trash and garbage collection.

Chalos said he asked for the committee to study the proposal after passage of a two-year contract earlier this month. At that time the contract was awarded to the Jamax Corp., which lists Max Gibson as president and his father, LaVern Gibson, as secretary.

The new two-year contract was in the amount of \$650,000. This represents an increase of about \$110,000 per year over the existing contract.

Saturday's session was the third meeting of the council as a committee-of-the-whole to go over the next year's proposed budget.

The proposed '73 budget faces two more cutting sessions by other governmental agencies. In September the Vigo County Tax Adjustment Board will go over the city budget as well as all other governmental budgets. Then in November the State Board of Tax Commissioners will scrutinize the budget.

Council President Neaderhiser said he wanted to compliment all of the council members for their hours of devotion in studying the proposed budget.

Neaderhiser said the council members were able to cut some amounts from various departments. He said the exact budget proposal will be set Monday afternoon by city officials just prior to the special council session.

Although several cuts were made Neaderhiser said there were no reductions in salaries for municipal employees.

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City Council to Consider Budget for 1973 Tonight

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Salary increases and a pension plan for city employees survived Saturday's City Council caucus in preparation for Monday night's meeting expected to approve next year's budget.

Councilmen, meanwhile, appeared in general agreement on budget cuts totaling \$105,000 reducing the proposed tax rate by approximately 10 cents.

That action still leaves the budget proposal at nearly \$3 million and a proposed tax rate of about \$4.89, up from the current rate of \$3.69.

Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser said the cuts agreed were in connection with supplies throughout the city

the old contract. Councilman Pete Chalos asked that a study be instituted to investigate the feasibility of the city doing the job, rather than contracting that work.

Chalos said:

"I think the city can do it for less money than contracting for it. It is a service the people want, need and expect. If we are to guard the taxpayer's pocketbooks, we should find the best way to do it."

governmental departments with no large cuts from any one department. The balance of the budget is said to consist primarily of increased expenses over which the city has no con-

trol and expenditures related to salary hikes and the pension plan proposal.

The pension plan is intended to cover all city employees, office holders and councilmen as well as workers in the several departments. Not included in the new pension proposal are police and firemen who already have retirement provisions.

The cost of the pension plan is estimated to account for nearly \$60,000 in next year's budget.

A large item in the budget proposal has to do with renewal of the trash collection contract at \$650,000 for two years, an increase of \$110,000 annually over

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Councilman Jarvis Quits Committee

City Council (T.H.)

By RICHARD EVANS
Star Staff Writer

City Councilman William Jarvis Thursday resigned his position on a special committee formed to deal with local railroad officials and accused the mayor and the council president of dragging their heels in the council sponsored attempt to improve crossings and do away with lengthy traffic tie-ups in the city.

Jarvis complained during open City Council session early in the year that railroads located in the city were not maintaining their street cross-

ings properly and said his constituents were complaining of lengthy time periods when crossings were blocked by trains.

He and Councilman Eugene Trummel were named as council representatives to a special committee to study the problem. Mayor William Brighton and Council President Jack Neaderhiser were to fill out the committee with representatives from railroads located in the city and other business interests.

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Jarvis said Thursday, however, he thinks the two, the mayor and Neaderhiser put him on the committee to shut him up and questioned whether they have any intention of ever completing the committee.

"It's been about six months now, and they still haven't come up with the rest of the committee members," Jarvis said.

"You don't have to be around this town long to see the problems created by the railroads," he continued. He cited as examples specific crossing on North Twenty-fifth Street at the Penn-Central north of Maple Avenue and the crossings of the Penn-Central and L & N on Thirteenth Street.

"It looks to me like they either don't care or they're trying to stall the thing indefinitely," Jarvis said. "I'm getting tired of the run-around, so I'm

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going to dump the problem back into the laps of the mayor and the city council president."

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Jarvis pointed out that the Penn-Central has improved a number of their crossings this year, but he said the improvements came because the transportation utility had to install new tracks on their main lines running through the city.

"I had the idea that residents of Terre Haute shared my concern over the shabby crossings and the inconvenience caused by lengthy tieups," he said, "but I don't seem to have any support in this thing."

The irate city councilman also leveled a broadside at local new media accusing them of inadequate coverage on the issue. "Terre Haute wouldn't be a bad town if the news coverage were a little better," he said.

Jarvis, who like Brighton and seven of the eight other city councilmen is a Democrat, has become known for stands independent of the mayor and other Democrats on the council.

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Probes Street Cutting Permits

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The Terre Haute Water Works recently paid more than \$1,000 for delinquent street cutting permits, according to City Councilman William Jarvis, who demanded an inquiry at Thursday night's Council meeting.

The Third District councilman said the city funding body should find out if the city is being properly reimbursed by utility contractors and others for damage to streets cut by them.

Jarvis said he had discovered that over 200 cuts had been made for water company work commenced without the required permits at \$5 each.

Jarvis reported that after he checked into the matter, the permits were obtained "in a bunch. But, I'm still not sure they've got all they should."

The councilman also questioned whether the city has been reimbursed for street repairs occasioned by such cuts, in keeping with new policy in street repairs established last spring. Under that arrangement, which called for cooperative planning by utilities and contractors, the \$5 permit to cut into streets was to be obtained before the work began. When the work was completed, the hole was to be filled short of surfacing. Resurfacing of the spot was to be done by the street department with the cut-

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ting utility or contractor billed for that work.

The new arrangement, which became effective May 1, calls for contractors to be billed at \$5 per cut for labor and at a rate of 50 cents per square foot of asphalt used and 70 cents per square foot for concrete resurfacing.

But Jarvis charged Thursday night that the program is not being enforced saying that the

water company had made at least 205 street cuts for which no permits were issued until last week when they were issued en masse after he began asking questions.

In other City Council action Thursday night, a \$21,000 appropriation ordinance for the police department was approved

by unanimous vote, as was a \$400 appropriation for the mayor's office.

Chief of Police James Swift explained that the \$21,000 would enable his department to qualify for more than \$100,000 in federal grants to provide added security patrols for public housing areas, and to purchase modern electronic and photographic equipment for the department.

The \$400 appropriation ordinance for the mayor's office will go for unanticipated telephone expenditures and will come from surpluses in the social security accounts, according to City Controller Joan Hetherington.

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Maple Ave. Re-Opening

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Bill Goes Before Council

A loan from one city pocket to another, approximately \$128,400, to close out Terre Haute's first urban renewal project, was voted Thursday in the city council meeting which received a dozen new measures.

One of the new items of business, submitted by Councilman Pete Chalos, seeks "... to protect for the people of Terre Haute the opportunity to open Maple Ave."

Two appropriation ordinances ready for adoption, involving \$40,000 for proposed improvements on Ft. Harrison Rd., were tabled on the motion of Councilman William Jarvis when discussion left questions unanswered. Some councilmen felt the questions could have been answered by representatives from the controller's and engineer's offices had they been present. Council President Jack I. Neaderhiser announced a policy of keeping in committee all departmental measures brought up for second reading without the presence of the interested department heads.

The bill introduced by Councilman Chalos, who has spearheaded continuing efforts to re-open Maple Ave. through the industrial park for several months, declares an 80-foot strip of land a major street.

Zoning the land in question M-2 Heavy Industrial District, reportedly to facilitate its use by the owner, the measure also would forbid construction blocking the pathway, retaining an option to reopen the street closed during World War II.

In the urban renewal funding action, the council passed 8-1 over the opposition of Councilman Jarvis an ordinance to appropriate \$128,400 from the cumulative capital improvement fund as a temporary loan to close out the city's first urban renewal project.

Golby Uhlir, director of the Department of Redevelopment explained the temporary loan would enable his department to terminate its contract with the federal government now and avoid the payment of interest on the sum while negotiations continue to sell the parcels of land left from the project.

He said the money will be repaid immediately upon the completion of such sales, and he estimated about \$30,000 of the sum would be returned within the next 45 days.

The council also voted 9-0 to

rezone the property at the northwest corner of First Street and Margaret Avenue from R-1, single family residential, to C-2 commercial to make way for construction of a medical complex.

A number of routine money transfers within departmental

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budgets were approved, twelve new ordinances, including the Maple Avenue measure, were introduced.

Councilman Chalos talked briefly about the latest development in the effort to reopen the thoroughfare during a recess.

He called the vacated street "one of the most sorely needed thoroughfares in the area" and pledged to continue his efforts to reopen the street.

The present commercial operation would be allowed to continue under the terms of the ordinance if it passes, the council

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City Council Meets Tonight On Ordinance

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The Terre Haute City Council will meet in special session Monday, 7:30 p.m., in the City Courtroom at City Hall to consider a \$40,000 special appropriation ordinance filed recently by Councilman John "Pete" Lamb.

The ordinance reportedly involves a \$10,000 request relative to one piece of property on Ft. Harrison Rd. and the other a \$30,000 request reportedly sought for the purchase of another property along the road.

City Clerk Andrew Atelski said no contracts have been secured for such purchases and some of the councilmen felt they were being asked to "approve a pig in a poke." The ordinance action was therefore delayed until the Monday special session for study by the council members.

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Fort Harrison Road Funding Ordinances Passed By Council

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City Council (T.H.)

By CARL JONES
Star Staff Writer

Two ordinances calling for the appropriation of \$40,000 to go toward engineering, design, and surveying of a project that will eventually bring about the four-

laning of Fort Harrison Road between 13th Street and Lafayette Avenue were passed by the Terre Haute City Council Monday night.

Monday's special meeting was called when several council members objected to the ordinances at last Thursday's meeting, saying they did not have enough information about the proposals.

After hearing City Engineer Jeffrey Lew's description of the Fort Harrison Project at Monday's meeting, the ordinances were each passed by a 7-0 vote. Council President Jack Neaderhiser and Councilman Asa C. Malooley were not present.

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One of the ordinances passed Monday calls for an appropriation of \$10,000 from the Capital Improvements Fund to be used for engineering of the four-laning project, and the other calls for \$30,000 from the Road and Street Fund for similar use.

Lew said the project, already approved by state and federal highway departments, will enable Fort Harrison Road to be converted from a two-lane to a four-lane street between 13th Street and Lafayette Avenue, and also calls for the installation of traffic islands at the intersections of 13th Street and Fort Harrison Road and Lafayette Avenue and Fort Harrison Road.

Lew said the total cost of the project has been set at approximately \$466,000.

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Mayor William Brighton apologized to the council for the necessity of calling Monday's special meeting. The mayor said it was "negligence on my part" that the ordinances had

not been explained fully at last week's meeting.

Councilman William Jarvis had been among those critical of the presentation of the ordinances during last week's meeting, and he said he had been criticized unjustly for questioning the proposals.

"What if someone asked me what the ordinances were about and I had to tell them I didn't know?" inquired Jarvis. "I wouldn't think much of a council that would go ahead and appropriate money for a project that is going to cost almost a half-million dollars if the council members didn't know what the project was all about."

Council Vice-President Pete Chalos presided at Monday's meeting in Neaderhiser's absence.

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Mexican Airliner Crashed to Cuba

TY (AP) — A re- of a series of bank robberies in
airliner flew 82 Monterrey and a million pesos
seven crewmen — 380,000.
Cuba today after the plane sprang an
plane. The plane circled the city
than government and police rounded up the sus-
pected robbers, the hijackers
upped the money demand to 4
million pesos. Police brought
four of the suspects from jail,
including a woman who had
been wounded when she was
arrested. The other two were
not in custody, but came to the
airport in answer to broadcast
appeals.
The plane landed at Monter-
rey and refueled for the 2½-
hour flight to Cuba. Police
dressed only in bathing trunks
brought the money and the al-
leged robbers aboard. The hi-
jackers then freed 29 of the
passengers — 20 women, seven
men and two children.

City Council To Consider 26 Proposals

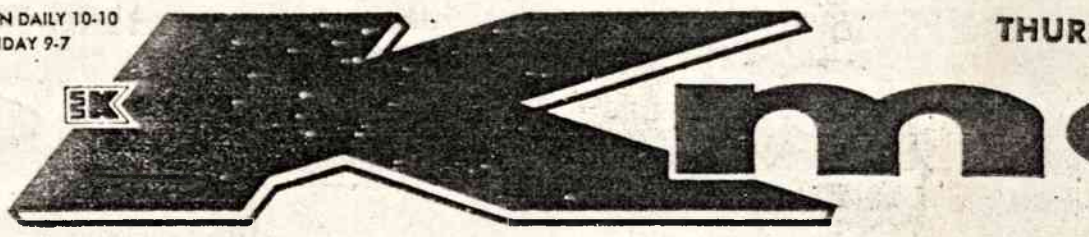
The Terre Haute City Council will meet tonight in the court-
room in City Hall at 7:30 p.m.
to consider 26 pieces of legisla-
tion.
Thirteen resolutions for trans-
fer of funds for various city ad-
ministrative departments are on
the agenda, ranging from a re-
quest for \$55 for the City En-
gineering Department to \$13-
335.50 for the Fire Department.
Transfer of funds occurs
when a department has run out
of operating money and has to
have a special appropriation in
order to continue functioning
and serving the public.
Other departments asking for
money include the Motor Ve-
hicle Highway Fund, \$6,828;
Park Department, \$4,599; Board
of Cemetery Regents, \$2,698.

the Parking Meter Fund, \$1,700;
City Clerk, \$720; Board of Pub-
lic Works and Safety, \$50, and
the City Judge, \$60.
The council will also act on
an ordinance to appropriate
\$11,000 to improve the traffic
situation at 7th St. and Lafay-
ette Ave. Several ordinances for
the erection of stop signs and
intersections throughout the city
are on the docket for the meet-
ing.
A special tribute to the Terre
Haute North Vigo cross country
team, recent winners of the
state championship, will be
voted on and signed by Mayor
Brighton and the council mem-
bers.
Still pending, but on the agen-
da tonight, is an ordinance de-
signed to create a new depart-
ment to be known as the Terre
Haute Economic Development
Commission.
The only other matters to be
considered by the councilmen
are three rezoning ordinances.
The public is invited to attend
the meeting and the council, ac-
cording to its members, wel-
comes comments from the
public.
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Kappa Alpha Chapter, vs. In-
diana State University, com-
plaint for damages, William E.
Cook.
Paul W. Harn vs. Top Value
Enterprises and Proctor-Silex,
Inc., complaint for damages,
William E. Cook.
Phillip English vs. Gloria Ann
English, divorce, Robert H.
Brown.
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Rondal Ray Francis vs. City
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chief of police, and Frank Hoff-
man, as chief of detectives,
complaint in replevin, John Kite.
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Edward Winn, divorce, William
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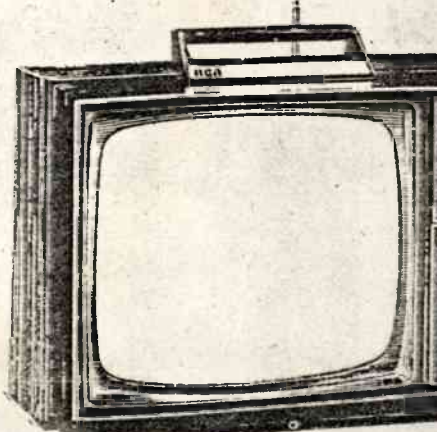
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North Wins Swim Meet

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind. (Special) — North's Patriots opened their swim season with a whopping 81-14 victory over North Montgomery here Thursday, the winners taking first in every event and second in all but two.

Patriots set three school records. Russ Whitworth set new marks in the 100 and 200 freestyle, and Jeff Fortenberry broke the one-meter diving record.

Ken Ream and Eric Sanders were North's other double winners. Ream, a freshman at Otter Creek, won the 200 individual medley and 100 backstroke; Sanders, the 50 freestyle and 100 breaststroke.

200 medley relay — North (Dave McDonnell, Rich Pace, Jim Stanfill, Eric Sanders) 2:01.2

200 individual medley — Ken Ream (N), Rich Pace (N), Mike Whitworth (N) 2:24.7

50 freestyle — Eric Sanders (N), Jones (NM), Jim Cultice (N) 25.1

Diving — Jeff Fortenberry (N), Scott Cumming (N), Little (NM) 156.20*

100 butterfly — Jim Stanfill (N), Dave McDonnell (N), Paul Penewitt (N) 1:07.4

100 freestyle — Russ Whitworth (N), Janssen (NM), Grimes (NM) 57.1*

400 freestyle — Mike Melloh (N), Rich Pace (N), Bob Montgomery (N) 4:48

100 backstroke — Ken Ream (N), Jim Stanfill (N), Dave McDonnell (N) 1:06.1

100 breaststroke — Eric Sanders (N), Mike Whitworth (N), Crisp (NM) 1:11.0

400 free relay — North (Jim Cultice, Mike Melloh, Ken Ream, Russ Whitworth) 4:01.4

*Denotes North school record

Texas Practice Runs Begin

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (AP) — A. J. Foyt, Buddy Baker and Bobby Allison set the unofficial pace Thursday as practice opened for the \$196,000 Texas 500 Grand National Stock Car Race.

Baker, a 30-year-old driver from Charlotte, N.C., toured the two-mile oval track at 167 miles per hour during warmup runs, and Foyt and Allison ran laps in the 166 m.p.h. bracket.

Johnny Rutherford of Fort Worth, Tex. was involved in the day's only wreck when he lost control and hit a guard rail, damaging the rear of his car.

Baker holds the Texas World Speedway single lap record of 176.234 m.p.h., set two years ago before carburetion restriction devices were required.

Qualifying trials to pick the 40 fastest starters for Sunday's race begin Friday afternoon. The first 20 positions will be filled Friday and the remaining 20 Saturday.

Withdrawal

Move Delayed

Council Backs Mayor's Threat To Pave Over Rail Crossing

City Council (H) Community Affairs File

An exceptionally bland concoction of routine business transactions was set before the City Council Thursday night, but the occasion rose above the boredom level when the councilmen voted unanimously to publicly back Mayor William J. Brighton's pledge to pour concrete across the Penn-Central's spur at the city's west edge if railroad officials continue to balk at smoothing the crossing.

During a mid-morning press conference Thursday Brighton said if Penn Central doesn't correct the situation at the scene of the new Y interchange here within 10 days the city will either block off the crossing or pour concrete on the tracks to bring it up to street level.

The new section of pavement on Wabash Avenue at the river bridge was recently completed and opened to traffic but the crossing is about 8-10 inches below the level of the new surface.

City Councilman Pete Chalos publicly commended the mayor

for "agreeing with Councilman William Jarvis and me in pouring concrete in the tracks."

Jarvis followed Chalos by introducing a resolution backing the mayor and Board of Public Works and Safety in taking whatever action is necessary to correct the railway crossing at the new project.

Mayor Brighton said he met last month with Penn Central officials and they agreed to work on the problem, but nothing has been done.

A Penn Central spokesman here said the matter is being considered by the general office in Philadelphia.

Brighton said Federal funds,

which paid for construction of the highway interchange would have financed crossing improvement as well, but the railroad vetoed that.

He said railroad officials "want to do the work themselves, but they want us to pay for it."

FPC Quietly OKs Natural Gas Price Hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Power Commission has quietly approved a natural gas price almost 25 per cent higher than existing area rates.

The order, approving the first price hike under a recent commission policy change, was filed on public record at the FPC offices, but official spokesmen said the commissioners directed the information office not to issue a press release drawing attention to it.

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Approved last Friday and issued Wednesday was an order approving the sale of natural gas by McCulloch Oil Corp. of Texas to Northern Natural Gas Co. at an initial price of 26.5 cents per thousand cubic feet—five cents higher than the existing price of 21.5 cents now governing gas from the Hugoton-Anadarko fields.

Last Aug. 3, the FPC adopted a new policy allowing prices above the present production-area ceiling prices, saying its policy would encourage exploration and development for new gas sources.

The policy has been criticized by some observers as a roundabout way of "de-regulating" natural gas prices.

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William P. Diener, assistant to FPC chairman John N. Naskas, said in an interview Thursday that the FPC had provided its usual public notice when McCulloch applied for the new rate and that there was no intervention or challenge by any other party.

In those circumstances, he said, the commission routinely acts upon an application without public hearing and without

Nixon Wouldn't Oppose Law For Newsmen

ALBANY, N.Y. (UPI) — President Nixon has written that while he would not oppose proposed federal legislation that would permit newsmen to protect the identity of their sources, he thinks the U.S. attorney general's guidelines on the subject are "preferable to federal legislation at this time."

Nixon's views were expressed in a letter to Robert G. Fichenberg, executive editor of The Knickerbocker News-Union Star in Albany and chairman of the Freedom of Information Committee of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

Fichenberg had asked the major presidential candidates in Tuesday's election for comment.

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The President's letter, dated Nov. 4, was received Wednesday, Sen. George McGovern, the Democratic candidate, replied earlier that he would support such legislation without qualification.

The Joint Media Freedom of Information Committee crafted a model federal "Free Flow of Information Bill" after the Supreme Court ruled last summer that the First Amendment does not provide newsmen with automatic immunity from having to reveal confidential information to a grand jury.

General Motors Seeks To Avert Friday Strikes

By U.P. INTERNATIONAL

General Motors Corp. faces possible strikes Friday at plants in Wilmington, Del., and Danville, Ill. The United Auto Workers said it would authorize walkouts at four other GM facilities next Friday if local disputes remain unresolved.

GM bargainers, hoping to avert the fifth straight weekend of hit-and-run strikes, met Thursday with UAW representatives from all six facilities. No progress was reported.

A strike at the Wilmington assembly plant would involve 4,200 UAW members. The central foundry at Danville employs 2,000 workers. The union set Friday strike deadlines at both facilities.

Walkouts at the other four plants—a Fisher Body plant in Flint, Mich., GM's Delco-Moraine facility in Dayton, Ohio, and the assembly plants at Arlington, Tex., and Janesville, Wis.—would affect a total of 19,600 workers.

The UAW has called brief strikes at 10 GM facilities

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Two Valley Postmaster Jobs Filled

Two Wabash Valley postmaster positions have been filled by the United States Postal Service.

John Summers has been named postmaster of the Brazil office.

The announcement was made Friday by C. B. Gels, regional postmaster general, through the office of Bremer Ehrler, district manager of the U.S. Postal Service.

May, formerly assigned to the Terre Haute Post Office, has been officer in charge of the Brazil Post Office since the death of Postmaster Max Wollerton in June.

Summers, formerly postmaster of the third class post office at Carbon, was moved to Seelyville as officer in charge in June. He replaced Anna Jones, who retired.

Both men were nominated for the positions in accordance with the merit selection procedures of the Postal Reorganization Act. Their nominations were made by the Regional Management Selection Board and their appointments by Postmaster General E. T. Klassen.

High School Math Contest At Woods, Rose Saturday

High school students from Terre Haute and surrounding areas will participate in the annual high school math contest sponsored by Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Saturday, Nov. 11.

Sister Conrad Monrad, S.P., math area chairman at Saint Mary's, and Dr. Herbert Bailey, math department chairman at Rose-Hulman, are co-chairing the event.

High school girls will be

tested at Saint Mary's and the boys at Rose-Hulman at 11 a.m. Registration will be at 10:15 a.m. in the Science Hall at Saint Mary's and in the Main Building at Rose-Hulman. A faculty program will be presented at Saint Mary's for math teachers during testing, with "Innovations in Teaching Secondary Mathematics" as the topic.

Lunch at 12:15 p.m. will be followed by campus tours of Saint Mary's at 12:45 p.m. and campus tours at Rose at 1:15 p.m. Both groups will tour Rose-Hulman. Awards will be presented for winners in boys' and girls' divisions at 2 p.m. at Rose-Hulman.

Each school may enter two girls and two boys from each of the four classes. Awards will go to the top six girls, to the top six boys and to the top three schools in each class.

DOG BITES COP, DIES INSTANTLY

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (UPI) — Possibly it was a very old dog or maybe his victim was a tough cop.

Nobody really knows, but police in Brooklyn reported Thursday night the dog rolled over and died after biting a police officer on the leg.

According to police, Patrolman Dominick Caiccia, 50, and his partner, Julio Aricea, 30, were dispatched to check out a report of disorderly youth.

The police spokesman at their precinct said that when the two patrolmen arrived on the scene

LANDLORDS MAY BAN WATER BEDS

OAKLAND, Calif. (UPI) — Sleeping on a waterbed is not one of the rights provided by the U.S. Constitution.

Alameda County Superior Court Judge Robert L. Bostick ruled Thursday that landlords

TALENTED SNAKE

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Responding to an ad for a talented snake to appear in a movie, Newport Beach pet shop owner Lou Russo showed up at auditions Thursday accompanied by his two-headed Florida pine snake, Gertrude.

The creature is two separate snakes down to the stomach; where they join. "The two heads get along fine until feeding time," he said. "Then I have to keep them separated because the one that's not being fed will attack the one that is."

At times the two heads fight over which way to slither, he said. The snake was immediately hired. Someone asked Russo whether he thought it wanted to become an actor.

"Well, yes and no," he said.

City Council Backs Mayor On Crossings

The Terre Haute City Council meeting in regular session Thursday evening at City Hall, supported Mayor William J. Brighton's promise of action on the Penn Central crossings of the new "Y" interchange and approved a number of appropriation ordinances transferring funds.

The mayor had threatened to block the railroad crossing if Penn Central doesn't bring it up to the new road surface within the next week, speaking at a press conference earlier in the day.

Fund transfers asked to offset operating expenses in depleted accounts ranged from \$13,000 in the Terre Haute Fire Department to \$50 in the office of the Board of Public Works and Safety.

Other amounts included \$6,800 for the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund, \$4,599 for the Park Department, \$1,782 for the cemetery board, \$1,700 for the parking meter fund, \$800 for the office of City Clerk, \$60 for City Court and \$55 for the office of City Engineer.

CONFERENCE SET FOR CENSUS USERS

OLNEY, Ill. (Special)—Illinois Eastern Junior Colleges are sponsoring a census users conference here Nov. 21 at the Holiday Inn.

Officials from government schools and other non-profit agencies are invited to attend the meeting, designed to assist officials in preparing applica-

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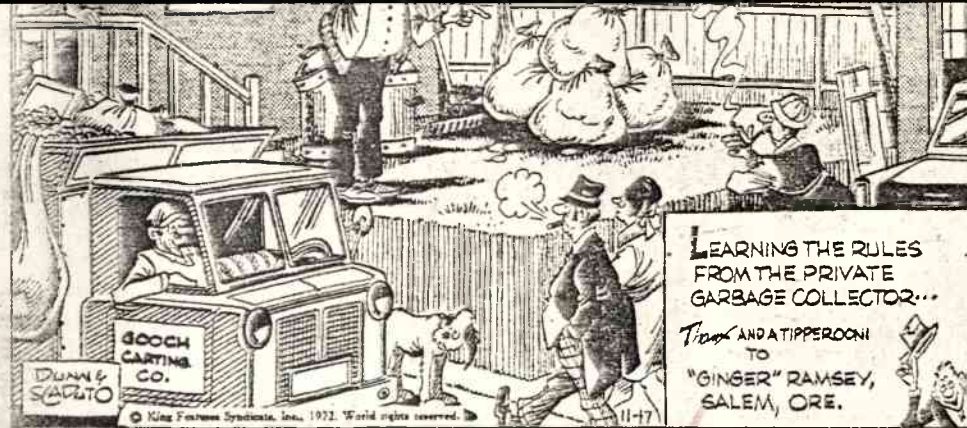
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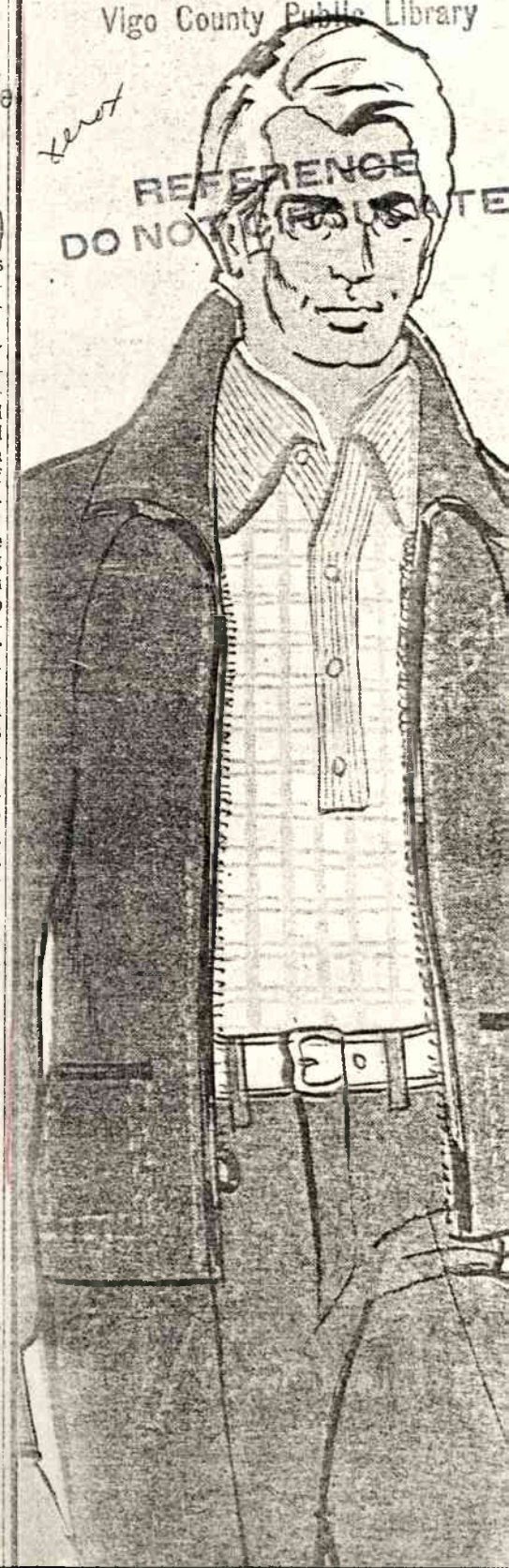
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Jailed Newsman Predicts Wave

By CHET CURRIER

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Former reporter Peter Bridge predicts increasing numbers of newsmen will be jailed for refusing to disclose their sources or to make public their notes unless action is taken to guarantee a "newsman's privilege."

Bridge, who spent three weeks in jail recently after refusing to answer some questions before a grand jury regarding a story he wrote for the now-defunct Newark Eve-

ning News, made his comments Thursday at The Associated Press Managing Editors convention here.

The convention concludes late today.

By coincidence, the panel discussion in which Bridge was a participant took place only hours before a Los Angeles judge sentenced reporter William Farr to an indefinite jail term for refusing to reveal the source of a story he wrote while covering the Charles Manson murder trial for the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner.

Bridge told the nearly 600 journalists and guests at the meeting here the question of a reporter's right to protect confidential sources and notes is "a people issue rather than a press issue."

He said the public will suffer far more than the press if newsmen are not allowed to keep their notes and the identities of their sources confidential in all cases. The effect of permitting government to require disclosure, he said, would be to thoroughly discourage investigative reporting.

New York Times reporter Earl Caldwell, the central figure in a case in which the Supreme Court ruled that reporters have no special constitutional protection against being required to assist grand jury investigators, saw a recent trend which he said has had several inhibiting effects on the press.

The high court's ruling, the jailing of Bridge and other recent developments have tended to prompt wariness among reporters and sources alike, Caldwell said.

He said he and some other reporters have destroyed confidential files which would have benefited them in future reporting and later aided historians. He also said some sources who once might have provided information freely may now be thinking twice.

Five Rezoning Bills Passed By Council

Five rezoning ordinances were adopted in the City Council special session Thursday evening at City Hall.

Zoning changes from heavy industry to single family residential classification were enacted for the Virginia Dell subdivision near Haythorne and Fruitridge avenues and William E. Heck's subdivision off Twenty-fifth Street north of Ft. Harrison Road.

A third ordinance changed the zoning on a 150-foot strip along the east side of Twenty-fifth street from heavy industry to community commercial business. The area includes Dresser Place subdivision and Commercial Club Place.

Another ordinance changed the zoning of land on both sides of 14½ Street from residential to light industry. The site includes the Cook Concrete Products plant which is to resume operation. The property had reverted to residential zoning when the plant ceased operations.

The last ordinance rezoned property at 3000 N. 18th St. from residential to community commerce to permit establishment of an auto body shop business.

Attending the meeting were Jack Neaderhiser, council president, and council members Pete Chalos, Kenneth Thomas, Eugene Trummel, John Lamb, Thomas Lenahan, and Asa Malooley. William Jarvis and Eugene Butts were absent.

FTC DROPS ACTION IN PEPSICO CASE

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Federal Trade Commission has decided not to take legal steps designed to block the acquisition of the Rheingold Corp. by PepsiCo Inc.

The FTC made the announcement Thursday after PepsiCo agreed not to take control of Rheingold without first notifying the federal agency. Earlier, the FTC had threatened a suit against PepsiCo.

FREDRICK CASE STILL PENDING

In the case of Kenneth Ray Fredrick, 33, 2921 Krumbhaar, who is accused of breaking into the United Hebrew Congregation Synagogue on Sept. 28, charges are still pending in Vigo Circuit Court.

In pre-trial testimony, Rabbi R. Benjamin said he had locked the synagogue, but found Fredrick in his office when he returned an hour later.

Fredrick was convicted last April 4 of burglarizing another local church and Judge C. Joseph Anderson placed him on strict probation at that time. Tuesday morning the probation was revoked due to Fredrick's involvement in the latest incident.

Fredrick was given a two-to-five year prison sentence after being found guilty on April 4 of burglary.

Fredrick's appeal bond on the April 4 conviction was set at \$5,000. His appearance bond on the Sept. 28 charge was also set at \$5,000, but Fredrick has not yet posted that bond, so Judge Anderson Thursday issued a bench warrant for his arrest.

Fredrick will remain in the Vigo County jail until his second \$5,000 bond can be posted.

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LOGAN DR. ALAN C. RANKIN
Sister Jean Knoerle, president of St. Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology State University, Wednesday told of their plan for a better curriculum, more facilities, and House of Photography Photos.

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"Our schools differences will be a source of strength. It would be interesting to have half the student body of Rose and half the student body of St. Mary's change classes and campuses for a day.

"Everyone suffers from the habit of settling down into a pattern, if we could change that it would provide a stimulus for a tremendous educational experience."

Dr. Logan told of how several Rose-Hulman programs had already benefited from co-operation between the schools:

"The days of bitter rivalry between the schools are over. Rose now has its best glee club and its best band ever. ISU faculty members are directing both of the activities.

"ISU has opened its married student housing units to married Rose students. Rose-Hulman now has a combined teaching degree with Indiana State.

"Most of our counselors have come from Indiana State and we have had several faculty exchanges through the years.

"We now have the best drama club in years because girls from ISU and St. Mary's are taking an active part in it."

All three presidents told of the colleges investigations into joint computer centers. Logan brought up the possibility of having one computer system serve ISU, Rose, St. Mary's and the Vigo County high schools, and per-

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FRIDAY LAST DAY TO APPLY FOR BASKETS

Cash donations to The Tribune-Star Basket fund will help make Christmas happy for many needy families in the community. Donors are asked to bring contributions to the office of The Tribune-Star, 721 Wabash Ave. All donations will be published.

Donations to The Tribune-Star Fund to provide Christmas baskets for the needy in the City and Vigo County follow:
Floyd and Ann M. Turner \$ 5.00
Terre Haute Mailers No. 56 20.00

kind. "As I take these last steps from the surface for some time into the future to come, I'd just like to record that America's challenge of today has forged man's destiny of tomorrow," Cernan said moments before entering the Apollo 17 landing ship.

Then he added: "And as we leave the moon and Taurus-Littrow we leave as we came, and, God willing, we shall return, with peace and hope for all mankind."

Turning, Cernan then followed his crewmate, Harrison H. Schmitt up the ladder into the cabin of their craft Challenger.

There they rested after preparing to blast off the lunar surface in the late afternoon

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The Weather

By National Weather Service

(Weather Map On Page 9.)

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River Stage—15.6 ft. rising.

LOCAL CONDITIONS

Highest temperature yesterday, 41;
lowest temperature last night, 22.
Precipitation: None.

FORECAST

TERRE HAUTE AND VICINITY—Increasing cloudiness and cold again tonight. Cloudy with snow likely Friday. Lows tonight 22 to 26. Highs Friday 34 to 36. Precipitation probability percentages, 20 tonight and 70 Friday.

INDIANA — Increasing cloudiness and cold tonight, lows in the upper teens to mid 30s. Cloudy and cold Friday, with light snow likely, highs in the mid 20s to mid 30s. Chance of precipitation: 30 per cent tonight, 60-70 per cent Friday.

ILLINOIS—Snow likely tonight, possibly mixed with some freezing rain. Lows 22 to 27. Friday snow ending by later afternoon. Highs in upper 20s.

Dirt-dust count: 81 micrograms of dirt per cubic meter of air. (Average daily count in 1971 was 92).

Sunrise—8:03 a.m.; Sunset—5:27 p.m.

Temperature street thermometer, 6 a.m., 19; 2 p.m., 30.

Sappers Blast Supply Dump

By DENNIS NEELD

SAIGON (AP) — Two sappers blew up an ammunition dump seven miles southeast of Saigon early today, rocking the capital with a chain reaction of massive blasts that shattered windows in the city.

Twelve hours after the first explosion, 1,000 tons of shells, bombs, small arms ammunition and napalm were still detonating. Tall columns of black smoke blurred the sky.

"There's nothing we can do to control it," said a South Vietnamese officer sheltering in a ditch outside the big Thanh Tuy Ha depot. "We've just got

Dr. Wallace Graham said, President Truman is very serious but vital signs remains fairly stable, therefore he is not critical."

At 10 a.m. EST, Truman's pulse was 96, his blood pressure 138-60 and his temperature 100.

Truman was admitted nine days ago to Research Hospital and Medical Center after he displayed symptoms of lung congestion.

Graham, Truman's personal physician, had reported Wednesday that the former president was "weaker" . . . and he is beginning to show signs of renal (kidney) impairment and early pulmonary fluid collection."

Graham said today that fluid continues to collect in Truman's right lung.

Later Wednesday, Graham said, "his weakness and lessened responsiveness remain the same as noted earlier."

Margaret Truman Daniel, the 33rd president's daughter, talked with newsmen Wednesday.

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Gas Restricted For Drying Crops

By MARY ANNE PIERCE
Tribune Staff Writer

Gas supplies for crop drying have been restricted in Vigo County as well as other parts of Indiana.

Two of the three major suppliers of LP gas in the county

said they are releasing gas on a "home owners" basis only, as Vigo farmers attempt to salvage a portion of their late grain harvest by drying it in gas operated dryers.

One local supplier said Thursday, "We were allocated so much gas for this week and received only one-half of what we should. And our company is in a better position than others who have to buy their supplies from the open market. We refine our own.

Another supplier predicted the condition would become more serious in weeks to come, if the weather improves so farmers can get into their fields.

"So far most of our customers were well supplied before this broke out and no one is in serious trouble now. But we don't have the authority from our company to issue any for drying purposes, only emergency home use. The real emergency will come when our farm customers are able to get back into the fields."

Purdue University said a telephone survey by area extension

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Although the needed gas quantities exist in Texas and Oklahoma, the transportation in pipe line capacity, truck and rail cannot meet the demand. Some dealers indicated during the survey that even if they had more supply, they are currently extended about the maximum capacity of their delivery trucks.

CAROL CANTATA AT PRINCETON CHURCH SUNDAY

PRAIRIETON, Ind. — "The Sounds of Christmas," a carol cantata, will be presented by the choirs of the Prairieton United Methodist Church Sunday at 5 p.m.

A candlelight vesper service will follow the presentation which includes narration by Miss Paula Beth Hannum and scripture by the Rev. A. H. Stoneburner. Organist will be Mrs. John Phelps and pianist, Mrs. Helen Francis.

Mrs. Warren T. Hunt directs the Sanctuary Choir and Mrs. Alan Neal directs the Chancel Choir. The public is invited to attend.

EDITOR SUCCUMBS

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — George H. Arris, 72, financial editor of the Providence Journal Bulletin for 25 years, died Wednesday. He won the 1958 Loeb Award and the 1970 John Hancock Award for financial writing.

The valley quail is California's official state bird.

wich, 41. Her husband and son, both passengers in the auto, were injured in the collision which involved a small, foreign car and a pickup truck.

Woman Killed

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ing the pick-up truck and did not see the small car in the left lane.

The Reddick auto collided with the left side of the Kuckewich car, and knocked it across the right lane into the parked truck. That truck is owned by Jewett Publications of Farmersburg.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Janalee Fuller, Terre Haute; a stepmother, Mrs. Rose McClure, Elizabethtown, Ky.; a grandmother, Mrs. Orpha Mason, RR 24, Terre Haute, and a brother, Jack McClure, San Antonio, Tex.

Funeral arrangements for Mrs. Kuckewich are pending at the Callahan Funeral Home.

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trust fund to receive the deposit of \$385,000 in federal revenue sharing money which arrived Monday. That's under new business in Special Ordinance No. 91.

The next numbered, Special Ordinance No. 92, is described as "An Ordinance to Order Penn Central Railroad to Raise Their Tracks on Y-Intersection."

The intersection in question, where a number of vehicles have been damaged, according to ac-

cident reports citing the rough crossings as hazards, also is referred to as the "Lemon Crossing" as the result of posted warning signs bearing the image of a large, yellow citrus fruit.

An injunction suit is pending in federal court, with a hearing slated for Dec. 21 before Judge James Nolan in Indianapolis who has granted a temporary injunction against the city's threat to pave over the crossings. The City Council action is said to be based on state law empowering the municipal legislative body to order railroads to make crossing improvements.

Another large money matter is found under old business in Appropriation Ordinance No. 15 which officials describe as a transfer of surplus funds from the Parking Meter Fund to the General Fund, and not a new appropriation.

Although the immediate effect of the proposed Council action in this matter reportedly does not dedicate the surplus parking meter money to any particular use, plans have been discussed at length to use that money to qualify for matching federal funds in the purchase of ambulances and a dozen new buses for the city transit system.

Several special ordinances related to the new eastside multi-laned street constructed as the Fruitridge Avenue Project. They include special ordinances numbered 82 through 87, calling for a new 40-mile-per-hour speed limit on part of the new street, instead of the 30-mph

limit on that part; traffic controls and signals at several intersections, including Fruitridge and Locust, Blakely and Locust, Fruitridge and Maple and Fruitridge and Ft. Harrison Rd.

Numerous money transfers, in addition to the \$100,000 measure, are contained in various ordinances and resolutions with Appropriation Ordinance No. 14 seeking to apply state funds obtained through roads and streets provisions to match federal money in the new structuring of the northside intersection of 7th Street and Lafayette Avenue. The R&S money is to be applied to the project with federal money meeting the balance of the total cost estimated at \$19,000, according to officials.

Resolution No. 80, under new business, is entitled "A Resolution Approving the Urban Renewal Plan and Feasibility of Relocation for the Community Center Urban Renewal Area," and is said to involve much new construction of streets and sidewalks in and around the City Hall-Courthouse area.

Many other fund transfers relate to amounts ranging from \$50 for one office to a \$13,000 Street Department item.

AUTHOR DIES

LONDON (AP) — Leslie Poles Hartley, 76, British author of "The Go-Between" and other novels, died Wednesday. He was named one of 10 Companions of Literature early this year.

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24 KILLED BUS PLUNGES

MANILA (UPI) — A corporation's bus plunged off a river Wednesday persons and injured. The bus was on a job site in Las Samar Province

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